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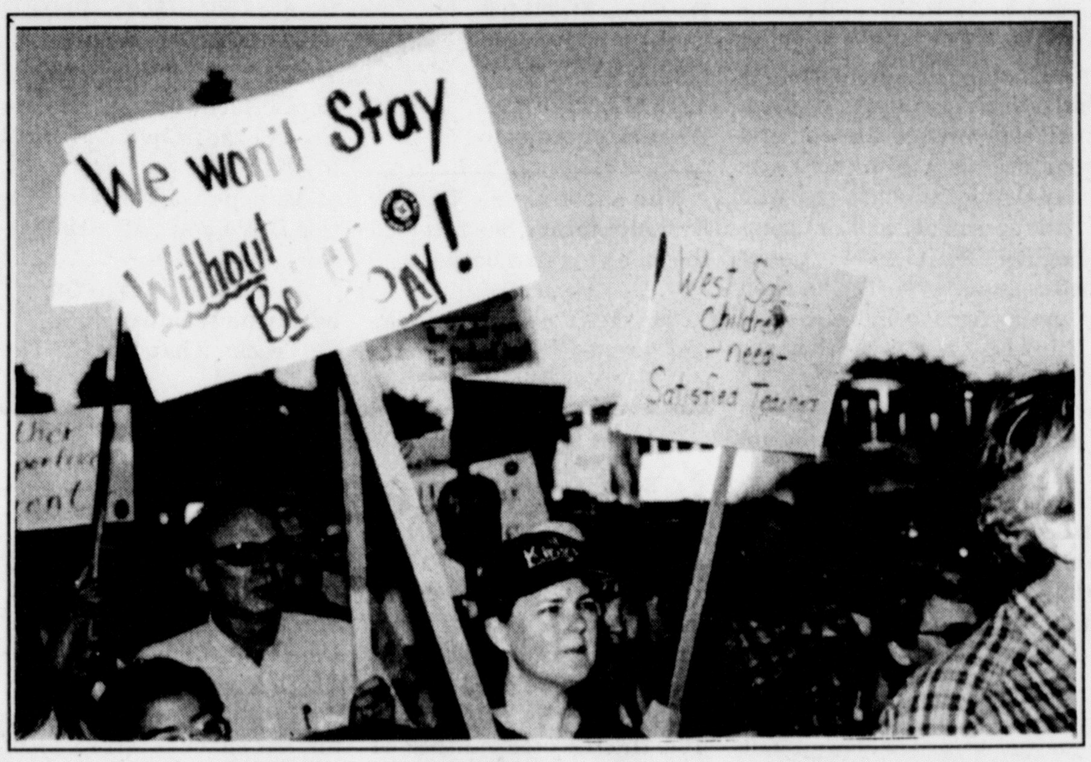
Teachers: 'impasse' on negotiations with district

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

West Sacramento's teachers' union has declared an "impasse" in negotiations with the Washington Unified School District over the teachers' current salaries. Members of the union formed an "informational picket" in front of the WUSD school board's meeting Thursday evening.

"The district should have one priority: students," said a statement from negotiator Linda McMahan of the Washington Teachers Association. "The students of our district deserve to have qualified, certificated teachers in every classroom. The way to attract and retain qualified staff is by offering first-class salaries. Unfortunately, in open board meetings, we've heard members of the school board express contempt for teachers' salaries, with the promise of no increases for the next two years."

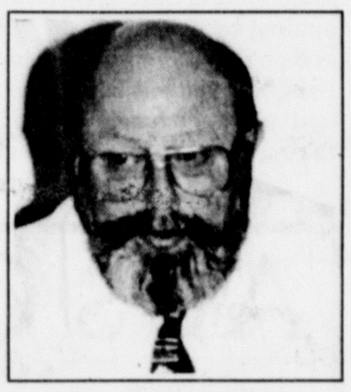


A large turnout of Washington Unified School District teachers showed up Thursday to march in front of the school district's boardroom. Several spoke to the board to protest the failure of the district to grant a "cost of living" increase.

Photos by Barry Blacklaw

School board members Karl Machschefes, David Farmer, Irene Eklund, Pat Flint and Ardeene Westvik listen to speakers from the teachers' union Thursday

WTA President Patty Yamat



Sup. Stu Greenfeld

The union statement called relations between the two parties "strained."

Schools superintendent Stu Greenfeld said that WUSD "looks forward to continuing discussions with the teachers' union" in a statement released last week. He added that the district aimed to provide "top-quality education" and to pay employees a "competitive" wage.

"WTA demands that the (salary increase) come after the district agreed to a substantial raise during the 20000/2001 school year, where seventy percent of the teachers received a 10.38 percent to 14.99 percent increase in annual compensation," said the district's statement.

The statement added that the current dispute is over a new 3.87 percent "cost of living allowance" retroactively applied to the current fiscal year.

Union president Patty Yamat said that she is "concerned with attracting and retaining qualified teachers" based on current pay rates. "Beginning teachers come to the district, receive valuable training from hard-working veterans and move on to higher paying districts after a few years as their salaries fall further behind neighboring districts."

The district argues that it is facing a bad budget year due to state money woes, and doesn't have the money for a new teachers' pay raise.

Officer shoots man holding knife

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

A Lighthouse Drive man is recovering from a gunshot wound after a confrontation with West Sacramento police Sunday night.

A police report said police received a call that someone was "armed with a knife and swinging at people," and that officers arrived to see the suspect trying to use the knife against a security guard.

According to police lieutenant David Farmer, officers found 24-year old Carlos Herrera "holding a small child in one arm and a knife in the other hand. The two officers repeatedly ordered the suspect to drop the knife (but he) ignored the commands and began to aggressively approach one of the officers with the knife raised above his head. The officer moved backwards until the suspect was within six feet from him. The officer fired one shot, striking the suspect in the abdominal area."

Herrera then fell to the ground, releasing the child uninjured.

Herrera's wife was treated at the scene for a minor knife wound to the hand. According to a statement from Farmer, she received the injury while trying to stop Herrera from taking the child out of the apartment.

Herrera "continued to resist officers" while emergency personnel treated him for the injury, Farmer added. He was reported yesterday to be in "good" condition at UCD Medical Center, and will be charged with assault with a deadly weapon, child endangerment, and exhibition of a deadly weapon.

The officer involved in the shooting, Mike Kinney, has been placed on routine administrative leave while the department and the Yolo County district attorney's office independently investigate the shooting.

Golden State M.S. hosts 'family night'

Parent Volunteers of Golden State Middle School recently hosted their first annual "Family Night", which was sponsored by the University of California, Davis Academic Outreach Program, Raley's, and PG&E. The event took place in a picnic environment on the quad of Golden State Middle School. Raley's, Frito Lay, Nor Cal Beverage and the Sikh community provided hot dogs, chips, sodas and ice cream, and the first 100 parents attending the event received t-shirts. Several local businesses provided raffle items and every person went home with something.

There was a resource fare where teachers and staff of Golden State answered questions about the school, and there were also representative from local colleges to help stu-

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Slump: Port wrestling with layoffs

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

A "continuing global economic downturn" means the Port of Sacramento is in for a rough financial ride in the fiscal year beginning next month, said port director John Sulpizio.

"We've had our good years and we've had our bad years," he said yesterday, following a Monday afternoon presentation to the port commission on the institution's next budget. "We are operating in what continues to be a global economic slump, and there is pressure on the commodities we handle."

Sulpizio said that continued economic troubles in Japan have decreased demand for wood chips – one of the cargoes handled at the port. A key grain-handling tenant has gone away, and other cargoes have suffered, he added.

In a presentation to the port's governing board, Sulpizio said he anticipates a half-million dollar loss for the current fiscal year (ending this month) and a $863,000 loss for the next fiscal year. The budget includes cutbacks of $765,030, including reductions in maintenance labor and other expenses. But further cutbacks of about $1 million are needed to bring the port's cash flow back even for the year and maintain reserves of $2.4 million in cash.

The port could layoff more labor and eliminate work performed by consultants, he offered.

Sulpizio said he hopes to talk to the port's labor representatives and work with the port commission on a plan to come up with a final list of cutbacks during the next month.

The Port of Sacramento, headquartered in West Sacramento, had about $9.2 million in revenues during the current year.

Richardson will hold City of West Sac's reins

From Art Schroeder
City of West Sacramento

Carole Richardson

Following the recent retirement of longtime city manager Joseph Goeden, the West Sacramento City Council has appointed Assistant City Manager Carol Richardson to fill the post on an interim basis. She has been assistant city manager since the city incorporated in 1987.

The council attempted to fill the city manager's post with a new hire in May, but the search for an agreeable candidate was not successful. A new selection process is underway, with an appointment anticipated by July or August.

Prior to joining the city, Richardson was an analyst for the County of Yolo.

"There's an excellent staff here pulling together to continue doing a great job for the city," she said. "Joe will be missed, but he instilled a commitment to make West Sacramento a great place to live, work and play."

INSIDE: The 'Review'

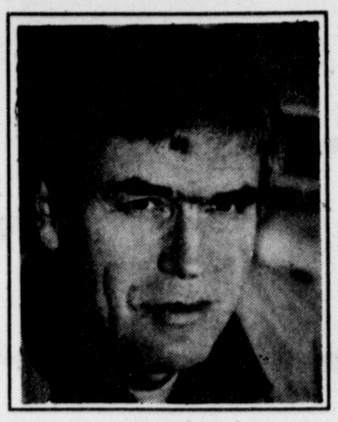
This week's edition of the News-Ledger includes a six-page issue of the River City High School "Review."

The "Review" is written and produced entirely by the journalism class at the school. It is printed and distributed by the News-Ledger as a community service.

This will be the last issue of the "Review" until school begins again in the fall.

For many, Kings' loss is a tough pill to swallow

My Back Pages



By Daryl Fisher

Life is full of disappointments, and there's always something to be learned from each and every one of them, but for some reason, last Sunday's Sacramento Kings' loss to the Los Angeles Lakers in the seventh and final game of the NBA Western Conference Championship Series left an uncommonly bitter taste in the mouths of my entire family.

I have four more-or-less grown children, two of whom no longer live at home, and for the first time since I can remember, they were all seated in the same room Sunday afternoon, pulling in the same direction, and taking turns screaming at the television screen.

"How can the Kings keep missing their free throws and possibly hope to win this game?" yelled out one of my sons, shaking his head in disbelief.

"Peja, Peja," exclaimed another a few minutes later, "that was a wide-open three-point-shot and you didn't even hit the rim! What in the world is the matter with you?"

"I hate that Phil Jackson!" chimed in my daughter.

And so the long, heartbreaking afternoon went, one punch in the ribs after another. There was the airball by Stojakovic with 11 seconds left in regulation, the brick of a shot by Doug Christie in overtime, Turkoglu throwing away a pass at a critical moment, Vlade making silly fouls and finally fouling out just when he was needed the most, all those bloody missed free throws, Webber getting an unnecessary technical foul, Adelman not putting Bobby Jackson back into the game when he should have, Shaq actually somehow making his free throws, Robert Horry tossing in yet another unguarded long-range shot that the Kings should have known they had to defend against by now, Kobe doing his scary thing, and poor Mike Bibby trying to carry the whole King team on his back while his timid teammates refused to take on the responsibility of taking the big shots in crunch time.

So, just what is it about sports that gets everyone so high when their team wins, and so low when their team loses? I mean, the reality is that these last seven basketball games between the Kings and the Lakers couldn't have really been all that important in the overall scheme of things or they wouldn't be planning on doing it all over again next year, and hopefully the year after that. But there was no use trying to tell that to my oldest son, who I'm sure would have personally cooked up another less-than-healthy bacon cheeseburger for Kobe to ingest before game seven if he had had the opportunity. And when it comes to hating Phil Jackson, I think I'm even worse than my daughter. We're talking about a guy who thinks Sacramento is a cowtown, and if you asked him, he'd probably say West Sacramento is a cow patty.

Anyway, after the game, I decided to try and put things in perspective, explaining to my sad-eyed kids that professional basketball is really nothing more than a big business and that they shouldn't take the loss of a game played by spoiled millionaires so personally.

"Remember," I said, "they just gave Chris Webber about 123 million dollars to go out there and shoot jump shots when he should be under the basket fighting for rebounds, and he doesn't even want to live in this area. Plus do you realize what it would have cost for all of us to have attended just one of those games? I heard scalpers were getting $1500 for two tickets to get into game seven. And say we just wanted to go to a regular season game, we'd have to pay about $75 each for a decent ticket, another $100 or so for a few hot dogs and cokes, $15 for parking -- that's more than $550 for a family of six just to attend a regular season game -- and it's going to get worse next year if the Kings plan on keeping Mike Bibby on the team."

All this of course did nothing to help soften the blow from the fact that my kids' beloved Kings had somehow managed to lose a series they should have won -- the most important seven-game series in the team's history -- and worse of all, that the defeat had been administered by the trash-talking, arrogant, 'you have to cheat to beat us' Lakers from hated Los Angeles.

But leave it to the Kings' Chris Webber, who actually played almost as well as Mike Bibby in the series, to really put things in the proper perspective, saying after the game that, "Something good will come from this -- flowers grow from manure, you know."

And as far as I'm concerned, something good has already come from the King's heartbreaking defeat, because for almost three hours last Sunday, all my kids were once again packed like sardines into my living room, yelling and screaming and bouncing off the walls just like they used to do when they were much younger -- when the thought of them all growing up one day and scattering to the winds never crossed my mind.

Books: something for everyone

By Elise McCallan
Arthur F. Turner Branch Library
1212 Merkley Ave.
West Sacramento

The Arthur F. Turner Branch Library has received the following new books:

"Divorce Poison: Protecting the Parent-Child Bond from a Vindictive Ex," by Dr. Richard A. Warshak.

"The Truth About Hormone Replacement Therapy: How to Break Free from the Medical Myths of Menopause," by the National Women's Health Network.

"Fire Lover: A True Story," by Joseph Wambaugh.

"Tracks That Speak: The Legacy of Native American Words in North American Culture," by Charles L. Cutler.

"The Secret Life of Dust: From the Cosmos to the Kitchen Counter, the Big Consequences of Little Things," by Hannah Holmes.

Call 375-6465 for information or library hours.

Obituaries

Joyce V. Tanner

Joyce Tanner passed away at the age of 67 in El Cerritto, California on May 30, 2002. She was the beloved wife of Paul Tanner of El Cerritto, and the devoted mother of Katherine Van Diest of New York, and John Turner Jr., of West Sacramento.

Joyce loved Dixieland music, dancing, and was a longtime volunteer for the Republican Party. She was a native of Rochester, Minnesota, and worked as a probation officer for Yolo County. She also belonged to Sigma Kappa Sorority and the Republican Party Central Committee.

Friends are invited to a graveside celebration of Joyce's life on June 7th at 11 a.m. at Sunset View Cemetery, 101 Colusa Avenue in El Cerritto.

Donations in her name can be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Eva Patricia Mulder

Eva Mulder passed away at the age of 28 in Santa Rosa, California on May 9, 2002. She is survived by her fiancee, David Martasian of Bodega Bay; her mother, Joan Mulder; her brothers, Henri and Dennis; her sister, Theresa, all of Sacramento; and her grandparents, Harold and Virginia Turner of West Sacramento.

Eva was a graduate of Encina High School in Sacramento and the University of California, Davis. She worked as a biologist at the Bodega Marine Laboratory.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held for Eva on May 15, 2002 at Calvary Cemetery in Sacramento. Donations will be welcomed for the Eva Mulder Memorial Scholarship Fund and checks may be made out to Bodega Marine Lab and sent in care of Shelley MacDonald, PO Box 247, Bodega Bay, CA 94923.

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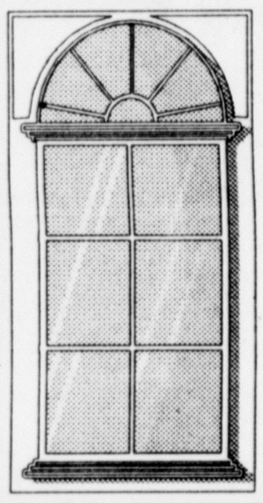
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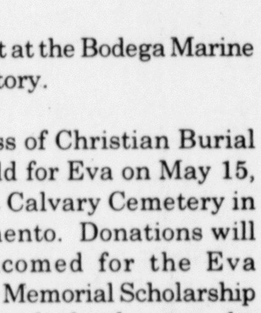
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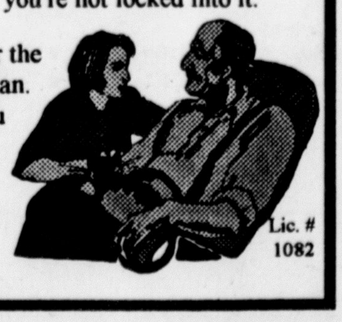
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The following person is doing business as Valley Builders, 617 Galvestone #5, West Sacramento CA 95605:

Yevgeniy Keval, 1440 #B Mikon St., W. Sacto. CA 95605; Vyachaeslav, Koval, 8320 Rockbury Way, Antelope, CA 95843.

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/s/Yevgeniy Koval

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The following person is doing business as Lee Distributing, 745 W. Cross St., Woodland CA 95695:

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The following person is doing business as The Wash Mill, 1282 West Capitol, West Sac.:

J. Randy Miller, 24710 Co. Rd. 22A, Esparto, CA 95627; Brian Carpenter, 378 West Woodland Ave., Woodland, CA 95695; Amy Carpenter, 378 West Woodland Ave., Woodland, CA 95695; Sharon Miller, 24710 Co. Rd. 22A, Esparto, CA 95627.

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The following person is doing business as Pacific Seed Producers, 326 West 14th Street, Davis, CA 95616:

Robert A. Briggs, same address.

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PB02-128

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Maria Beatriz Huizar aka Beatriz Huizar:

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Augustine J. Granadoz in the Superior Court of Yolo, County of Yolo.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Augustine J. Granadoz be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on June 26, 2002, at 8:30 a.m. at Dept. 5 at Yolo County Superior Court, 725 Court St., Woodland, CA 95695.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a "Request for Special Notice" (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A "Request for Special Notice" form is available from the court clerk.

Petitioner:
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Fictitious Business Name Statement
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The following person is doing business as Angelic Touch, 1310 Van Buren Place, Woodland CA 95776:

Michele E. Ackerman-Aceves, same address.

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The following person is doing business as The Goose Club, 3340 Jefferson Blvd., W. Sac., CA 95691:

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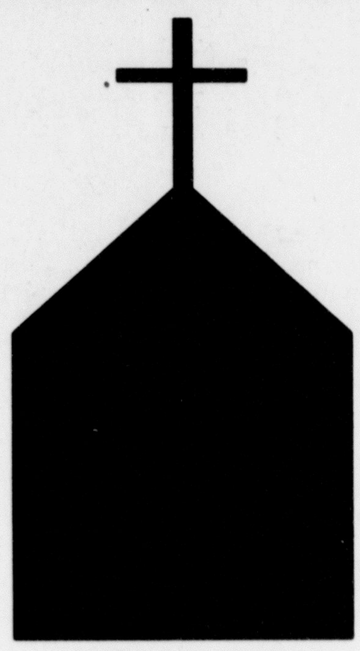

This email, that will be sent weekly to area subscribers at no charge, will be three or four paragraphs a week specifically designed for those who do not have a church they attend and want to know if the Bible really has anything to say to us today.

"The Bible is a book that is just full of ancient wisdom that can really make an impact on our daily lives," said James T. Allerton, one of the pastors at SouthPort Community Church. "This new weekly 'd-mail' is only a few paragraphs, but they may be the most profound ones you read all week."

The new SouthPort Community Church meets in West Sacramento at 2568 Industrial Blvd., Sundays at 10:30 a.m. For more information, call (916) 372-7818.

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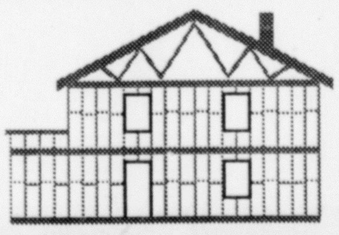

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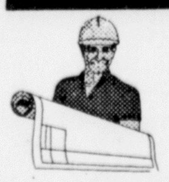

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Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church 911 Park Blvd., 371-4814 Father James B. Walsh, Pastor Masses: Sat. Vigil 5:30pm Sunday 9 & 10:30am Weekdays 7am No Mass on Thursday	**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints** Bishop Lew Bodkin ■ 2667 Linden Rd 10am Sacrament Meeting 11:20am Sunday School 12:10pm Priesthood/Relief Society PUBLIC WELCOME! 373-1801	**River of Life Community Church** Pastor Dave Losey 3605 Gregory Ave. 10 a.m. Worship Children's Programs Youth 6 p.m. www.intheriver.com 371-6706

SPORTS

SPORTS INSIDER

By Richard Novoa

Kings Korner

The Sacramento Kings quest to win the 2002 NBA Crown was right before their eyes when suddenly it disappeared in a puff of smoke at the free throw line. The Lakers didn't really beat the Kings as much as the Kings blew their golden opportunity in game 7. The Kings have nobody to blame but themselves.

Now, in game six, that was a different story but when you miss 14 of 30 (53%) free throws and your center fouls out for the second game in a row - that hurts!

The Lakers won game 6 in Los Angeles to force the big showdown at the friendly confines of the Arco Arena. Game 6 had a few strange calls from the officials that always seemed to favor the Lakers but lets not cry over spilled milk or Bibby's blooding nose! That's NBA history and now the NBC executives had a game 7 to televise from the "Cow Town" capitol of the world.

The Los Angeles Lakers and Sacramento Kings battled to 100-100 tie in regulation to force game 7 into what we will be remembered by Kings fans as the cardiac classic. Game 7 that will go down in NBA history as one of the most dramatic games ever in Western Conference Championship finals. The
final result was a 112-106 overtime loss by the Kings to the two-time defending champions, the Los Angeles Lakers. That's right, the Lakers will go for to three-peat! That hurts!

In the biggest game of the Kings franchise history, Divac gave the Kings only 27 minutes of action in a 53-minute game. Divac picked up his sixth foul chasing the ball down in the corner when he had no chance to get it, giving Kobe and the Lakers a one-point lead with 46 seconds to go in regulation. Divac also shot more like Shaq that Shaq did with his 5-for-10 effort from the charity line.

Doug Christie clearly felt the pressure in Game 7 and showed it more than any player on the floor. He shot 2-for-11 and all nine shots he missed looking pretty shaky. Coach Rick Adelman has done a masterful job with the Kings this season but he should have put in Bobby Jackson for Doug Christie, who was struggling big time. Instead, Jackson, who was 6-for-9 from the field, sat out the last five minutes.

Hedo Turkoglu also played well but he bricked three free throws at a crucial time while Peja Stojakovic playing on a bum ankle, shot 3-for-12 from the field. Peja was 0-for-6 from the three-point line, which is understandable, but that wide-open three-pointer he took with 11 seconds remaining in the game was an air ball that could have won the game.

Mike Bibby, who will be a restricted free agent next year, was the star in the series. Bibby, the little big man, made the big shots over and over for the Kings. Where was C-Webb or Peja when you needed them? Bibby's leadership, vision and ball distribution on the floor was the key to the Kings success this whole season especially in the playoffs. I hope the Kings are really consider matching any offer that Bibby will receive next season and you can bet your sweet bibby he will get some huge offers!

The Shaq and Kobe show proved too much for the young inexperienced Kings to handle down the stretch. The Lakers used their two all-star players to their maximum effort to wear down the Kings in the final two games. There is no substitute for NBA playoff experience. The headline on Monday morning in the Los Angeles Times read "The Lakers are still Kings". That hurts!

The Kings gave the Sacramento fans an outstanding season and it was a wonderful ride to the NBA Finals but I guess it's time to say "wait until next year" - Go Kings!

"World Cup Soccer"

The United States team is preparing for the battle of the year with the Portuguese National team on Wednesday, June 5th (1:55 a.m. ESPN2) in South Korea. Portugal is rated No.5 in the world by FIFA while the U.S. is currently No. 13.

A victory over Portugal would be considered an upset but in the first week of this tournament a few teams have surprised their superior opponents.

In the opening game last Friday in South Korea the African team from Senegal upset the defending champion France team 1-0 while Mexico also pulled off their own surprise with a 1-0 win over the Croatian National team.

"Boxing"

The Mike Tyson and Lennox Lewis bout is set to go this Saturday, June 8th in Memphis, Tenn. barring any unforeseen event. The 12 round WBC-IBF heavyweight titles will match up Lennox Lewis (39-2-1, 30 KOs) vs. Mike Tyson (49-3, 43 KOs). This fight is a Pay-For-View telecast (6 p.m.) at $59.95. Don't miss the first round!

See ya next week!

West Sac team takes 3-2 loss to Stockton

The "West Sacramento Pirates," members of the Mexican-American baseball league, lost a 3-2 match against the Stockton Shockers Sunday.

Leading the Pirates in batting was Byard, hitting two-for-three with a double and two runs batted in; and Lancaster, with a triple and an RBI. Domasky pitched eight innings, walked two and had seven strikeouts. Schrimsher pitched one inning, walked one and a strikeout.

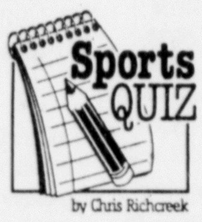
The Pirates play next on Sunday at 1 p.m. at Bryte Park in West Sacramento, taking on the Stockton Astros.

Ricky Barrett 'pitcher of the year' for USD

West Sacramento native Ricky Barrett has earned "pitcher of the year" honors in the West Coast Conference as a hurler for the University of San Diego.

Barrett had a 3.38 ERA in conference games this season, pitching a league-high 72 innings.

He led the conference in strikeouts with 59, and helped the Toreros earn their first-ever division title.



1. Who has won the most Gold Gloves as a first baseman?
2. Who was the last American League third baseman before Anaheim's Troy Glaus in 2001-2002 to hit 30 or more homers in two consecutive seasons?
3. Who was the last player before New England's David Patten in 2001 to catch, throw and run for a touchdown in a single game?
4. Which two men's Division I college basketball conferences have sent seven teams to the NCAA Tournament in a single season?
5. When was the last time before Chicago's Eric Daze in 2002 that a member of the losing team at the NHL All-Star Game has won the MVP award?
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6:00 p.m.
Zoning Administrator (ZA) Actions
Item #1
None
Regular Agenda
Item #2
Pacific Valley CUP (CUP 02-04)

The applicant seeks approval of a conditional use permit for a manufactured home sales operation at 2401 West Capitol Avenue (APN #67-210-11 & 12). The property is zoned C-2 (Community Commercial). A Categorical Exemption has been filed for the project. OWNER: John Pehrson, 4314 Vega Loop, Shingle Springs, CA 95682. APPLICANT: Ray Gritton, 4918 Salida Boulevard, Salida, CA 95368. (SW)

Item #3
BP/Arco Conditional Use Permit (CUP 02-02)

The applicant wishes to construct a rail spur for ethanol delivery to the existing BP/Arco bulk petroleum fuel storage and distribution facility. The property is located at 1700 South River Road (APN #58-270-01) and is zoned WF (Waterfront). A Negative Declaration has been filed on the project. OWNER/APPLICANT: BP/Arco, 1601 South River Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691. (RVB)

/s/Stephen M. Patek, Director
Community Development Department

If you challenge any of the above items in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of West Sacramento at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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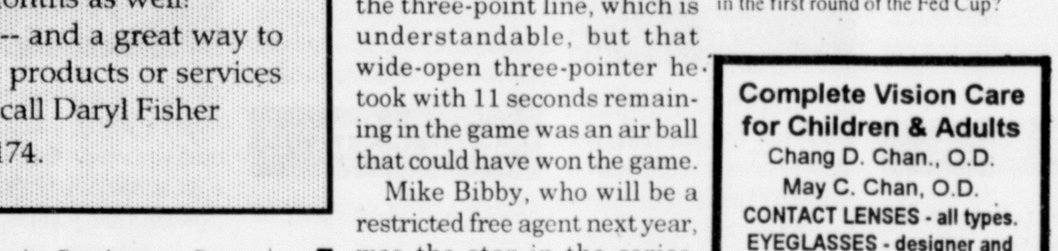

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OPINION

News-Ledger Editorial

A pair of 'farewells'

West Sacramento City Manager Joe Goeden is pretty much "out of here," with his last full day on Friday.

Despite a semi-retirement in which he plans to work on creating a bed & breakfast in the north state, Goeden promises to hang on to his adopted town of West Sacramento.

Goeden helps represent an era in the city's history. He came on board during the tumultuous early period in the city's history, as West Sacramento city struggled with developers' plans and with setting up basic city services after the city was formed in 1987. He helped impose a style of government in which cronyism and the "good ol' boys" network were de-emphasized. Newcomers may find it hard to believe just how pervasive was this "wide open" style of government in West Sacramento's early days.

Goeden had an unusually long tenure as West Sacramento's city manager – nearly a decade and a half – and his professional longevity can be attributed largely to an aversion to playing petty politics with the city's elected officials on the city council. In general, the city's elected officials (like this newspaper) have felt they got a square deal from Joe Goeden over the years.

He did a lot of stuff here, and he did most of it quite well. His experience here and elsewhere has given him a lot of wisdom to draw from – if the bed and breakfast doesn't work out, Goeden would make a terrific professor of government or of management science.

Good job and good luck, Joe.

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Also departing this month is a high school teacher the News-Ledger has worked closely with for something like seven or eight years. Sandra Larson, teacher of English at River City High School, is retiring to an undisclosed state, nearby, where it rains a lot.

Larson partnered with the News-Ledger some years ago to revive the journalism class at River City. The partnership has resulted in a "real newspaper" produced by Larson and the school's journalism class, and printed and distributed by the News-Ledger.

Before this partnership, the journalism program at RCHS had languished for several years. Now, as you can see from the edition of the "River City High School Review" published inside today's News-Ledger, it's doing quite well. The "Review" compares quite favorably to the school newspapers produced by other high schools. This is a credit to Larson, as well as to her students over the years.

Best wishes, Sandy, it's been a great run. And don't forget to buy an umbrella.

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Letters to the Editor

We must co-exist with industry

I have deep roots in this community. I was born in Woodland and have lived my entire life in the Southport area. My family moved here from Esparto in 1972. My father operated his business out of this area until it became too inhospitable for him to come home at night. He was and is a trucker.

We accepted this as a sign of progress. Eventually the city became less friendly towards my fathers' line of work. He accepted that and by the time my siblings and I became adults he was gone and we remained. Again we accepted the price of progress.

My father was not the only one to leave the area. Numerous other companies fled and numerous more continue to leave.

This city was built on the foundation of heavy industrial commerce. The word "heavy" does not have to appear on the port's objectives. We all understood that when we became citizens and taxpayers of West Sacramento.

West Sacramento has always been known as a blue collar town, what's wrong with that? This place was build because of people like my father and all the other hard-working people who have come and gone. It has always been a good place to live, grow old and die. Anyone who comes here to live should understand that this is what makes West Sacramento such a great place, our ability to co-exist with heavy and necessary commerce while maintaining a high standard of living.

I am not against progress. I would like to see more parks, services, and fewer houses with more distinction. I also support the port on their quest for big business and profitability. I support the asphalt plant, the gas plant, and all that goes with it. I support the deepening of the channel to diversify the port, development of a waterfront on the channel and the river, the casino, the rejuvenation of the downtown areas, and the revenue that will come from all these ventures. This is not the 30s and there are laws and codes that businesses have to meet in order to operate safely for its employees as well as the environment in which they choose to exist.

I do not support the crucifixion of the port and heavy industrial business that brought prosperity to my home.

My family has been residents of Yolo County since the 50s. We have lived in West Sacramento since 1972 and since 1976 we have lived in the Southport area. A long and continuous history, and more than most that live here today. This alone does not make me an expert on growth issues, but it makes me well aware of where we came from, where we are going, and what we will be losing if we do not support our industrial roots from which West Sacramento became a city.

JULIAN HERNANDEZ
West Sacramento

Thanks!

The Parent Volunteers of Golden State Middle School would like to thank the following local businesses and educational institutions for all their help and generosity in making our first annual "Family Night" such a big success: Be One Christian Sportswear, Block Buster Video, California State University Sacramento, City of West Sacramento Club West, First Northern Bank, Frito Lay, Gorman's, Jefferson Video, La Bou, Martin's Integrity Auto Service, Nails by Johnette, PG&E, Pip Printing, Raley's, River City High School, Rosy Hairstyle, Sacramento County Department of Education, Sacramento City College, Sikh Temple, The Works Hairstyle, University of Davis EAOP, Vince's Restaurant, Whitey's Jolly Kone, Wild West Feed, Yolo County Office of Education, and Golden State Middle School.

Thanks to all of you for making our "Family Night" a night to remember!

LORETTA BONILLA
West Sacramento

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed May 28, 2002
File No. 2002-480

The following person is doing business as E-DUV Company, 1600 Madrone Ave #14, West Sacramento, CA:

Ernest Terrell Tylor, same address as above.

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/s/Ernest Taylor

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Filed Apr 25, 2002
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The following person is doing business as Hale Kua Enterprises, 1301 Harley Dr., Woodland CA 95695:

Tracy Owen Bullard and Rebecca Anne Bullard, same address as above.

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/s/Tracy Owen Bullard

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The following person is doing business as Mary's Garden Help, 1412 Chestnut Pl., Davis CA 95616:

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/s/Mary R. Klein

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The following person is doing business as politicalcalling.com, 1260 Lake Blvd., Suite 210, Davis CA 95616:

Maxcomm Technologies, Inc., same address.

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/s/Paul Katsch

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed May 23, 2002
File No. 2002-470

The following person is doing business as Sursangam, 3520 Allan Ave., West Sacramento, CA 95691:

Suresh Kumar, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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/s/Suresh Kumar

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed May 21, 2002
File No. 2002-458

The following person is doing business as Granny's Nooks and Crannys, 1047 Olive Drive, Davis CA 95616:

Barbara E. Beck, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 1983. Previous fictitious business name number 97-204.

/s/Barbara E. Beck

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed May 7, 2002
File No. 2002-388

The following person is doing business as Woodland Emergency Physicians Medical Group, Inc., 1325 Cottonwood Street, Woodland CA 95695:

Steven P. Maron, M.D., President, 6222 Seminary Avenue, Oakland, CA 94605.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 3/1/1997.

/s/Steven P. Maron, M.D.

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File No. 2002-477

The following person is doing business as metromortgageonline.com; Home Banc Mortgage; Compass Financial Services; same address as below:

First Guaranty Mortgage Corp., 8180 Greensboro, Ste. 1175, McLean, VA 22102, incorp. in Virginia.

This business is conducted by a corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on February 2001.

/s/Nikki McKnight, Secty.
First Guaranty Mortgage Corp.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Washington Unified School District Board of Education will hold a public hearing and consider a resolution to adopt alternate School Facility Fees at its regular meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. on July 11, 2002, at 930 Westacre Road, West Sacramento, California. To view or request a copy of the School Facilities Needs Analysis, contact the Assistant Superintendent for Business Services at (916) 375-7600.

June 5 12

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The West Sacramento City Council will conduct a public hearing on June 19, 2002 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as possible on the following. The hearing will be held at city hall, 1350 Halyard Drive, West Sacramento. Interested persons are invited to attend. In compliance with the ADA, if you need assistance to participate in this meeting, you should contact the City Clerk at 373-5800. Notification 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to this meeting. City hall is handicapped accessible.

1. Ordinance 02-10 amending Section 17.69 of the Zoning Ordinance creating a Design Review Process.

2. Resolution 02-47 calling an election for the purpose of submitting the levy of the CFD No. 10 (Bridgeway Island) special tax to the qualified electors of the territory proposed to be annexed to the District (Annexation No. 1).

3. To consider various actions pertaining to the formation of CFD No. 15 (Pheasant Hollow) including adoption of Resolutions 02-43 and 02-44 and the first reading of Ordinance 02-9 authorizing a special tax within CFD No. 15.

4. On Ordinance 92-2 amending the Zoning Map from Community Commercial (C-2) to Multifamily Residential Planned Development (R-3PD) and Resolution 02-2 amending the General Plan from Community Commercial (CC) to High Density (HR) for the Capitol Place Project.

June 5

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Apr 23, 2002
File No. 2002-354

The following person is doing business as Westwood Townhouse Apartments, 800 Adams St., Davis CA 95616:

Westwood Townhouses, LLC (California), P.O. Box 529, San Lorenzo, CA 94580; 800 Adams St., Davis CA 95616.

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 4/5/02.

/s/Alan Lee
Westwood Townhouses, LLC

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Apr 15, 2002
File No. 2002-331

The following person is doing business as Access B Safety Integration, 3300 Ballena Bay Rd., West Sacramento CA 95691:

Tony Samaniego, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 4/12/02.

/s/Tony Samaniego

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE

Date of Filing Application: April 2, 2002

To Whom It May Concern:

The Name of the Applicant is Fine Host Corporation.

The applicant listed above is applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at: 400 Ballpark Dr., West Sacramento, CA 95691.

Type of license applied for: 47 – On-Sale General Eating Place; 68 – Portable Bar.

June 5

Police log

Editor's Note: The locations of some of the following incidents (considered "public information" by state law) were deleted from records released by the police department this week.

May 25, 11:21 p.m.

An officer pulled over a vehicle for a driving violation near 5th and C streets. The Galt man driving the car was found to be on parole, and in possession of methamphetamines and marijuana. The parole department placed a hold on him, and he was booked. A 23-year old Shingle Springs woman in the passenger seat admitted to an officer that she was holding drugs and a drug pipe in a body orifice. She removed the items and turned them over. She was arrested.

May 29

A man and woman were arguing, when the 41-year old man pushed the woman to the ground and kicked her repeatedly in the ribs and abdomen. The woman was treated for her injuries, and was told she had numerous bruises to her ribs as well as blood in her urine. The man was arrested.

May 29, 6:10 p.m.

A 41-year old man had a restraining order preventing him from contacting his live-in girlfriend, with whom he had a child. The man struck her with his fist, injuring her breast. He was arrested.

May 30, 7:35 p.m.

On F Street, an officer saw a 34-year old transient man who was wanted for robbery. The suspect fled into a nearby trailer residence. He was found by police and a K-9 unit, and was bitten by the dog while resisting arrest.

May 30, 4:07 p.m.

On West Capitol Ave., a store reported the theft of a stereo. Officers found the 45-year old suspect, a male transient, nearby. A witness identified him and another witness said it was the same suspect who had stolen another stereo several weeks earlier by the same method. The man was arrested, and found to have a cocaine pipe in his pocket and to be the subject of arrest warrents.

May 31, 1 a.m.

An officer contacted a 39-year old female for a driving violation on West Capitol. She was found to be on searchable probation. A search turned up a wallet, credit cards and checkbook under a passenger seat. The police departments in Sacramento and Folsom reported the items stolen. The woman and a 36-year old male passenger were arrested.

May 31, 10 a.m.

A 24-year old West Sacramento man was arrested for threatening to kill his girlfriend, the mother of his two children. He threatened to blow her head off with a shotgun. Two shotguns were removed from the household by police.

May 31, 3:45 p.m.

Officers were dispatched to a Jefferson Blvd. doctor's office, where a 44-year old West Sacramento man was causing a disturbance. Police found the man sitting in a chair, smelling like alcohol and appearing to be intoxicated. He was arrested.

June 2, 4:35 p.m.

A witness saw a 24-year old woman abandon her child and leave it in danger, in a shopping cart that rolled towards West Capitol Ave. The woman was arrested.

June 3, 9:50 a.m.

An emotionally disturbed person placed an empty handgun to his/her head, and feigned suicide. The individual was placed on 72-hour psychiatric hold at a county hospital.

Free clinic to help with divorce, separation

Yolo Superior Court will be hosting a series of free monthly legal clinics open to the public beginning June 5, 2002. The first clinic will cover the basics on how to begin a divorce or legal separation and will be held at the Woodland Public Library Leake Community Room from 6 – 8 p.m.

The clinic and all materials are free, but participants must speak with Sandra Jimenez at the courthouse, 530-666-8353, to reserve one of the 20 places.

Another clinic will be scheduled shortly thereafter to help those who attended the prior clinic or who are at a similar stage in their divorce case to complete the next step of the divorce. With the help of the local bar, Yolo Superior Court hopes to provide more services to the general public when representing themselves in a court of law. Karen Blank, an attorney who serves as Court Counsel for the Yolo Superior Court, will facilitate the first clinic.

In recent years the number of self-represented litigants has increased dramatically. During a typical week in October 2001, all of the name-change, harassment, guardianship, and domestic violence cases initiated at Yolo Superior Court were filed by people without lawyers. The court is working to serve this expanding public need. A Family Law Facilitator is available to assist with child support cases. In addition to her other duties at court, and her participation in the free clinics, Ms. Blank also serves as Guardianship Facilitator, assisting people who seek legal authority to care for children they have taken in. The court expects to open a public access center in July of 2002.

The center will house public computers and workstations, free legal forms and literature, and volunteer staff, all at no charge.

Congrats!

West Sacramento's Lydia Phillips is the proud grandparent of Jena Lee Castro, born April 26 to Lisa Jaycox and Jacob Castro, now of Natomas.

Jena was born at the UCD Medical Center, weighing 7 lbs., 6 oz., and measuring 19 ¼ inches. She is the first grandchild for Lydia, and is also the grandchild of Harlan and Sheryl Nichols of Natomas.

This week in government:

City council looks at raising sales tax; changing process for choosing West Sac's mayor

The West Sacramento City Council will meet in open session at 7 p.m. tonight at 1350 Halyard Dr., West Sacramento.

Among the agenda items are adoption of a resolution authorizing submittal of the draft housing element to the state; final map for Miller Estates along Gregory Ave.; appropriations limit for 2002-2003; report on city investment portfolio; annexation of property to CFD E (The Classics); extension of the Enterprise Zone program for five years; deposit of unclaimed cash from YONET operations to the police department; personnel reclassifications; award of city legal notice contract to News-Ledger; reconfiguration of Southwest Village plan; workshop on sales tax override; ordinance on campaign contribution limits; discussion of mayoral rotation or election of mayor; ordering a report on impacts of proposed ballot initiative regarding Southport and the Port.

The West Sacramento Planning Commission will meet Thursday at 6 p.m. at 1350 Halyard Dr.

Agenda items include subdivision of 19 acres on F Street; subdivision of a two-acre parcel served by Bastone Ct., a private street zoned "rural residential"; Southport Gateway Tentative Map; conditional use permit for rail spur for ethanol delivery to BP/Arco at 1601 South River Rd.

Across the Bridge:

Events around the region

Folsom Pro Rodeo

The Folsom Pro Rodeo will be held on July 3-6 at the Folsom City Park. On July 1 at noon there will be a Kickoff Cattle Drive beginning in the park. Cowboys on horseback will be driving the cattle through the streets of Folsom. For more information, call the Folsom Chamber of Commerce at 985-5555.

Eppie's Great Race

Volunteers are needed for the 29th Annual Eppie's Great Race, which will take place on July 20th. This is the perfect opportunity for groups and individuals to work together and provide a helping hand for one of Sacramento's premiere sporting events. For more information, call 875-6640.

Genealogy

The Genealogical Association of Sacrament will meet at 1 p.m. on June 19th at the Belle Cooledge Library, 5600 South Land Park Drive in Sacramento. Visitors and new members are welcome. For more information, call 682-8004 or 428-9264.

Auto auction preview

The 6th Annual Auto Auction and Buyers Review Party will be held at the Towe Auto Museum, 2200 Front Street in Sacramento, on June 7th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Approximately 100 collector cars will be available for inspection to potential buyers. For more information, call 442-6802.

Storytelling performance

The Sacramento Storytellers Guild is presenting stories highlighting the "Many Faces of Love" on June 13th at 7:30 p.m. at the Hart Senior Center, 27th and J Streets in Sacramento. Admission is free. For more information, call 863-1121 or 331-5523.

Art exhibit

The Gregory Kondos Gallery on the campus of Sacramento City College is showing a variety of works from finely rendered realism and photography to expressive printmaking and quilts. The exhibit will be on display until June 28th. SCC is located at 3835 Freeport Boulevard in Sacramento. For further information, call 650-2942.

Antique gas engine & tractor show

The 2002 Southwest Regional Show of the Early Day Gas Engine and Tractor Association will be held June 7-9 at

Please see BRIDGE, page 11

Beware the roadwork at Harbor, Jefferson Blvd

Caltrans has announced a couple of local, ongoing road projects West Sacramento should be aware of.

The eastbound offramp from Highway 50 to Harbor Blvd. will be closed through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., as work crews install a water line.

On Highway 84 (Jefferson Blvd.), motorists can expect lane closures and delays of 10-15 minutes between Manchester Ave. and Devon Ave. from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. through Friday. Utility crews will be working along the roadway.

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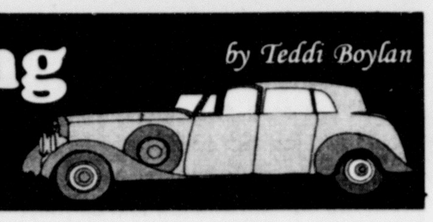

Columnist Teddi Boylan brings you her recommendations of places to dine and places to visit in the greater West Sacramento area. Her travels include both stops at our advertisers' establishments and other institutions. Enjoy!

Now is the time everyone heads for the mountains, now that the snow has fled.

And the Elks Lodge is no different. On June 16, they're off and running to the Silver Legacy in Reno. The cost of the trip is $22 per person, and you get $10 cash back and a food coupon worth $5. They leave from the Elks parking lot at 8 a.m. and return 8 p.m. with a stop at Gold Run for refreshments. If you want to join this friendly bunch, call Bruce or Janet at 372-6110 or cell phone 716-8407.

Bonnie and I stopped into Emma's Taco House last Wednesday for lunch and as usual, it was crowded with diverse diners, young, old, working class and white-collar workers. It's not widely known, but Emma's has three great seafood dishes – jumbo shrimp, fish tacos and Pacific red snapper, all prepared Veracruz style and served with Emma's soup or salad with Emma's special dressing, along with Spanish rice, beans, avocado slices or guacamole.

Lunches run from $7.49-$11.79. The dinner menu is quite extensive and runs from $9.79 to $10.79. If you prefer American food, you can order a fried chicken platter for $8.49, or a roast beef sandwich for $7.49. Perhaps you just want some of Emma's appetizers -- $4.99 to $6.79 – to enjoy with your terrific Margaritas (regular or strawberry).

Remember, Tuesday through Saturday from 3-5 p.m., you can enjoy two margaritas for the price of one.

If you can't make it to Emma's to dine in, they have orders to go. Call 371-1157 for fast service.

Did you know the Westside Pub & Grill has a shuttle to the River Cats game for patrons? Call Shelly or Rosie (see ad this page) for information.

My daughter, Casey, and some of her friends took advantage of the lull in the school year (she's a professor) and rented a houseboat on Lake Shasta with some of her friends for a week. She says they all had a ball!

What a great idea for a summer vacation with the family, too. Call the tourist information center, (916) 225-4100.

My friend, Patrick, and I went to Vince's Italian Restaurant Monday night for dinner. The place was jumping already at 7 p.m.. All rooms were full of happy diners. Victor Talani was on duty as the smiling host, supervising his workers. Having originally grown up on the East Coast, I happen to love spumoni ice cream – and Vince's has some of the best.

SUGGESTED DAY TRIPS:

Angels Camp: Like many Mother Lode towns, Angels Camp owes its existence to the Gold Rush. Mark Twain became an early contributor to its fame when he wrote "The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras." The contest goes on today.

Auburn: Travel up Hwy. 50 to "Old Auburn." Visit the Placer County Courthouse, built in 1894 and renovated in 1987. The Placer County Museum is also worth a visit. Have lunch at the old National Hotel.

Apple Hill: Plan a late summer or early fall trip. Visit various orchards, stop for lunch at the Apple Café in the scenic hills of Shingle Springs.

Bodega Bay: First stop is the town of Bodega, then the old schoolhouse used in the filming of "The Birds." The schoolhouse is now a museum. Go on to Bodega Bay for sightseeing and have lunch at the Sandpiper. Go up the coast to Duncan Mills, and return home through the Russian River area.

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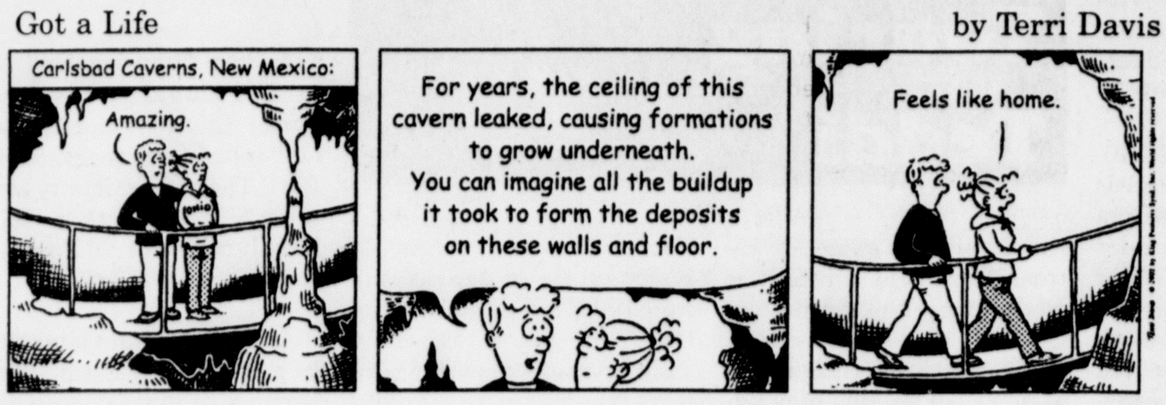
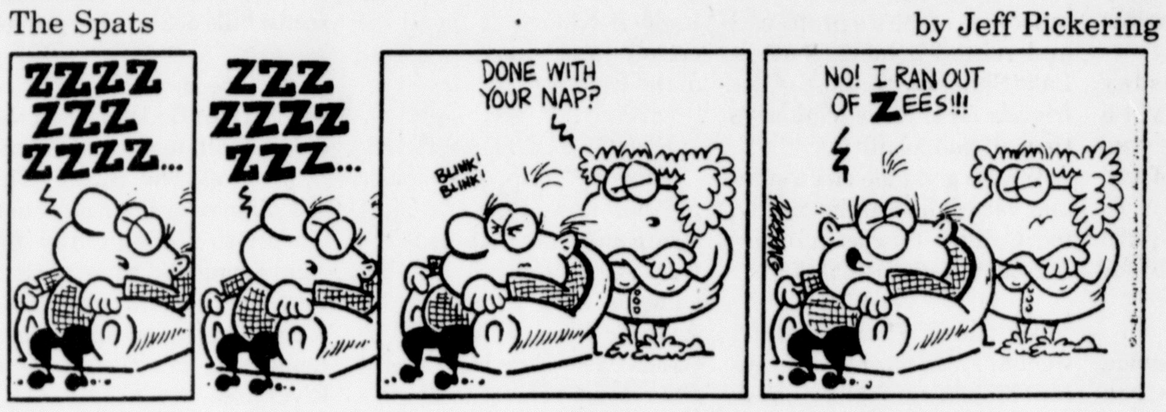
Got a Life

by Terri Davis


Carlsbad Caverns, New Mexico:
Amazing.
For years, the ceiling of this cavern leaked, causing formations to grow underneath.
You can imagine all the buildup it took to form the deposits on these walls and floor.
Feels like home.

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

R.F.D.

by Mike Marland

WHAT'S FOR DESSERT?
CHICKEN!
CHICKEN?! CHICKEN AIN'T DESSERT, DAD!
IT IS IF IT'S MARSHMALLOW PEEPS LEFT OVER FROM EASTER!
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POPEYE
Hy EISMAN
POPEYE! WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
T'DAY'S FATHER'S DAY!
I'M GOIN' TA ME PAPPY'S TA GIVE HIM ME FATHER'S DAY GIFT!
YOU'RE SUCH A GOOD SON!
IT TOOK A LONG TIME TA FIGGER OUT A GIFT FER 'IM!
AHOY THERE, SONNY!
VROOM
THA'S ME SON AN' HIS LATH-LEGGED GAL FRIEND!
BYOOTIFUL DAY...AIN'T IT?
OH POOPDECK! YOU'RE THE CUTEST!
ARF ARF
VROOM!
I DON'T THINK THIS IS WOT ME PAPPY WANTS

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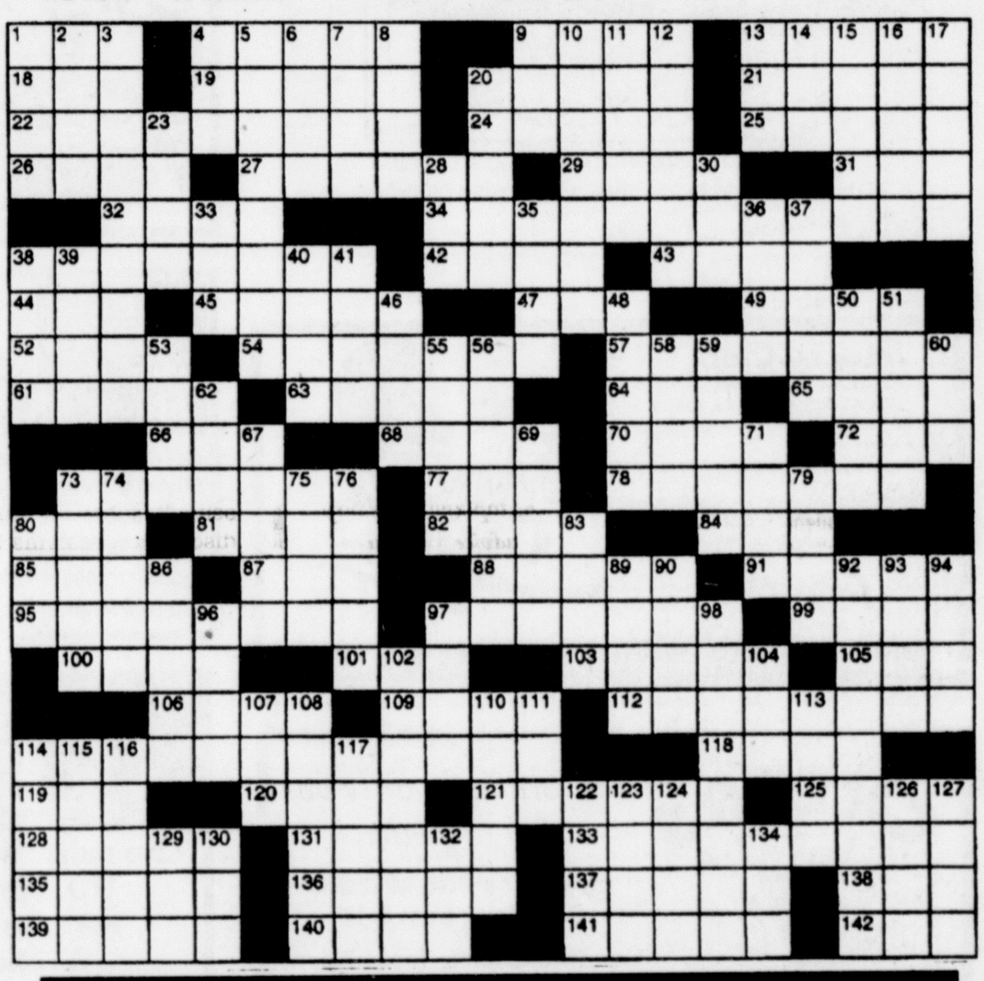
UPON LANDING, THE THREE EARTHBORN ADVENTURERS CAUTIOUSLY APPROACH THE PALACE.
WHERE IS EVERYONE?
BY THE LOOKS OF THAT OPENING, IT APPEARS THEY HAD SOME UNWELCOME COMPANY.
IT LOOKS LIKE IT WAS HIT BY A BATTERING RAM. WHATEVER DID THIS HAD TO HAVE INCREDIBLE STRENGTH.
ZARKOV, STAY CLOSE.
CHANCES ARE WHATEVER WE'RE DEALING WITH IS STILL IN THE AREA.
RAAAAAAAUR!
CONT'D

Super Crossword

SOUNDS TOUGH!

ACROSS
1 Big —
4 "Stop, sailor!"
9 James of "Misery"
13 Swash-buckling novelist
18 Grand — Opry
19 Actress Berger
20 Mournful music
21 "F Troop" corporal
22 Start of a remark by Milton Berle
24 Mid-size band
25 "Andrea —"
26 Costa —
27 "Family Feud" host
29 Division word
31 Aachen article
32 Basilica feature
34 Part 2 of remark
38 TV's "General —"
42 Like some sheep
43 Part of HOMES
44 Inclined
45 Senator Thurmond
47 "Waking — Devine" ('98 film)
49 Wee serving
52 Composer Schifrin
54 Circus performer
57 Put on a pedestal
61 Soft tissue
63 Tangle
64 Damage
65 Actress Ward
66 Baseball's Boudreau
68 Enchilada alternative
70 "Trinity" author
72 Neighbor of Wyo.
73 Obeys the dentist
77 Part 3 of remark
78 '80s Joe Penny series
80 Crank's comment
81 Skater Lipinski
82 Noun suffix
84 Sundown, to Shelley
85 Actor Arkin
87 See 106 Across
88 "Love Train" group
91 Thick of things
95 Denizen
97 Geological phenomenon
99 The Chipmunks, e.g.
100 Comic Carvey
101 Galena, for one
103 — -ski party
105 Priest's robe
106 With 87 Across, type of liqueur
109 Merit
112 — blanket
114 Part 4 of remark
118 Well-informed
119 "So that's your game!"
120 Nonflowering plant
121 "The Addams Family" uncle
125 Does Little work
128 Croc's kin
131 Chateau valley
133 End of remark
135 Wear away
136 Computer key
137 "The Lady —" ('79 film)
138 Child welfare org.
139 Rock's Meisner
140 Stocking stuffers?
141 Dispositions
142 "The Bells" monogram

DOWN
1 Physicist Niels
2 "The Time Machine" people
3 English port
4 Simile center
5 Feud
6 Novelist Seton
7 Pack
8 Homeric characters
9 Pres. Clinton, e.g.
10 Performer
11 Actor's actor?
12 Irritate
13 Rigoletto, to Gilda
14 Actor Tognazzi
15 — Gras
16 Sharon of Israel
17 Trap
20 "Tiny Bubbles" singer
23 Comics' "Andy —"
28 He gives a hoot
30 "— the fields we go . . ."
33 Slangy sib
35 Ain't right?
36 Extensive
37 Toast start
38 Grapefruit serving
39 October birthstone
40 Curved lines
41 Forsaken
46 Ditch under a drawbridge
48 Object
50 Change for the better
51 Brawl
53 Sonja Henie's birthplace
55 Acts like an ass?
56 Spirits
58 Amritsar attire
59 Nonsense
60 Smidgen
62 Throw a party
67 Custom
69 Message board?
71 Goblet part
73 Lost luster
74 — apso
75 Gray or Moran
76 — Domingo
79 "What's — for me?"
80 Candy quantity
83 Spotted rodent
86 Belarusian city
89 Puppy protests
90 Withered
92 Downspout
93 Bank deposit?
94 "Twelfth Night" role
96 Spanish surrealist
97 Equipment
98 Happened again
102 Heal a rift
104 Eat in the evening
107 Right — the bat
108 A hole near the sole
110 Allude (to)
111 Dundee denial
113 Loud laugh
114 Bet
115 "Pal Joey" author
116 Boca —, FL
117 Maine town
122 Willowy
123 Baseball's Martinez
124 Spanish river
126 "I could — horse!"
127 Break suddenly
129 Eccentric
130 Curious George's creator
132 Musical syllables
134 Pitches



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O	V	N	G	O	F	B	L	I	A	S	Q	A	J	H
F	O	D	T	N	R	E	R	R	C	E	A	M	Y	W
V	C	T	S	Q	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	L	U	M
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K	D	I	H	H	P	Y	O	F	R	R	E	C	B	Z
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Apple, Apricot, Banana, Cherries, Grapefruit, Grapes, Kumquat, Mango, Orange, Peach, Pear, Plum, Strawberry, Tangerine, Tomato

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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

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- Diagonal squares through center should add to total in upper and lower right.

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Today's Challenge
Time 1 Minutes 10 Seconds
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		9		15
1				5
	7			26
			6	20
8	13	28	17	20

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dents dream of continuing their education.

After the resource fare, parent workshops were conducted by UCD's Academic Outreach Program.

"If the students of West Sacramento had this when I went to school," said Rosie Meyers, an alumni of Washington High School, now Golden State Middle School, "I would have stayed in school!"

Also at the event were representatives of River City High School and the Yolo County Office of Education, demonstrating their School to Career Program, which gives students the opportunity to plan for a career and develop an educational course of study to help them better prepare for the career of their choice.

Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

• On **June 12, 1962,** teen-ager George Lucas survives a nearly fatal wreck after racing his car at top speed just two days before his high-school graduation. An aspiring racecar driver before the accident, Lucas shifted his ambitions to filmmaking afterward.

• On **June 10, 1966,** "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" receives the Production Code Seal of Approval. It was the first film containing four-letter words to be approved by the restrictive Hays Office.

• On **June 11, 1967,** The Six-Day War between Israel and its Arab neighbors ends with a United Nations-brokered cease-fire. The outnumbered Israel Defense Forces achieved a swift and decisive victory in the brief war.

• On **June 16, 1977,** Leonid Ilich Brezhnev, first secretary of the Soviet Communist Party since 1964, is elected president of the Supreme Soviet, thereby becoming both head of party and head of state.

• On **June 13, 1983,** after more than a decade in space, Pioneer 10, the world's first outer-planetary probe, leaves the solar system. The next day, it radioed back its first scientific data on interstellar space. Headed in the direction of the Taurus constellation, Pioneer 10 will pass within 3 light years of another star — Ross 246 — in the year 34,600 A.D.

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the Nevada County Fairgrounds in Grass Valley. This celebration of the West's farming, mining, and logging heritage will showcase tractors, engines, and power driven machinery dating from the 1890s. For more information, contact Bob Currie at 530-333-1028.

Old City Cemetery tours

The Old City Cemetery of Sacramento will hold tours on June 1, 8, and 22, beginning at 10 a.m. and commencing from the cemetery's main gate entrance at Broadway and 10th Street. Tours will be approximately 90 minutes in duration and free parking is available. For more information, contact Jane at 446-8381.

Croatian extravaganza

The 20th Annual Croatian extravaganza will be held June 8th and 9th at the Croatian-American Culture Center, 3730 Auburn Boulevard. Highlighting the entertainment will be recording star Zlatko Pejakovic. There will also be folk dancing and plenty of good food. For more information, call 971-0663.

Gold Camp Days

Gold Camp Days will be held in Amador City on June 8th and 9th. The event celebrates the "Gold Rush" heritage of Amador City and features an 1850s gold camp set up by the Amador Creek where visitors can participate in gold panning demonstrations. There will also be blue grass music, exciting mock gunfights, authentic 1850's costumes, and walking tours. For more information, call 209-267-1985.

Chinese dinner/lecture

The 6th annual Chinese American Council of Sacramento author/lecture/dinner will be held at the New Canton Restaurant on July 12th at 6:30 p.m. Lisa See, author of "On Gold Mountain", will speak on the subject of Chinese American settlements in Southern California. For more information, contact Douglas or Karun at 481-9247 or 972-9133.

Classes at the Towe Auto Museum

Three children's engine classes, titled "How an Engine Works" will be given this summer at the Towe Auto Museum, 2200 Front Street in Sacramento. The course is set up for 5th through 8th grades and is a 2 to 3 hour session. Cost is $10 per student. For more information, call 442-2646.

Newcomers meet

Newcomers and Neighbors of the Greater Sacramento Area holds a monthly coffee the first Thursday of every month at 10 am. For location and further information call 984-1237.

Senior peer counseling

Free training sessions are being held for people interested in being a Senior Peer Counselor. If you think you might be interested in spending an hour or so once a week with an "older adult", call 855-5444.

Senior exercise classes

InfoLine Sacramento has compiled a list of exercise programs especially designed for older people. To receive a free copy of this list, call 498-1000. InfoLine is a program of the Community Services Planning Council and provides free telephone information and referral services. The program operates Monday thru Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. HISTORY: Who married England's Henry II?
2. LITERATURE: What was the name of Capt. Ahab's ship in "Moby-Dick"?
3. MEDIA: When was Walter Cronkite's last year as anchor of CBS News?
4. ART: Where is the Uffizi Museum located?
5. ANCIENT WORLD: In what field was Plutarch best known?
6. ENTERTAINMENT: What was the name of the dog on "The Punch and Judy Show"?
7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What was the name of Blackbeard's ship?
8. MATH: What is the Arabic equivalent of the Roman numerals LXI?
9. GEOGRAPHY: What is the name of New Zealand's chief port city?
10. FOOD: What is poi?

Answers

1. Eleanor of Aquitaine
2. "Pequod"
3. 1981
4. Florence, Italy
5. Biographies
6. Toby
7. Queen Anne's Revenge
8. 61
9. Auckland
10. A paste made of taro root

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The observation deck

The wisdom of our sages, and blood of our heroes, have been devoted to their attainment; they should be the creed of our political faith, the text of civic instruction, the touchstone by which to try the services of those we trust; and should we wander from them in moments of error or of alarm, let us hasten to retrace our steps and to regain the road which alone leads to peace, liberty and safety.

Thomas Jefferson, 1743-1826

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Phamiliar phrases

"rap on the knuckles"

It was once common for schoolteachers to punish any discipline problems by striking the offending student on the hands with a ruler. The phrase has come to reflect any criticism or backlash for a person's words or deeds.

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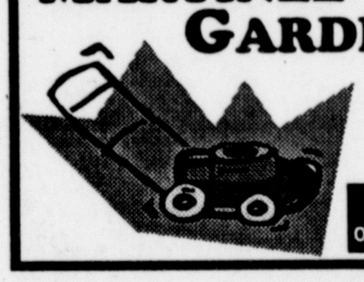

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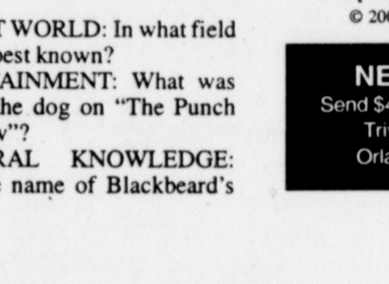

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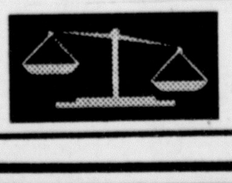

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The West Sacramento Police Department invites local business people to attend a seminar on robbery prevention and financial crimes on June 26 at 3 p.m. at the Margaret McDowell Manor, 1525 Merkley Ave. (please park on street). RSVP to Nora McDowell, 372-2461 ext. 279.

Sales tax?

The West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce invites its members (chamber members only, this time) to a general informational meeting including discussion of the city's proposed sales tax increase. The meeting will be held from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Thurs., June 6. RSVP to 371-7042. Call the same number for information on becoming a member of the chamber.

Extra equipment

If you have an extra walker, unused wheelchair or other surplus medical equipment, the Muscular Dystrophy Association would like to hear from you. The Association maintains a loan closet to put such items to use – and provide you with a tax deduction. Call (916) 921-9518 or (800) 572-1717.

Interfaith

The West Sacramento Interfaith gathering will hold its monthly brown-bag luncheon on Friday, June 7, noon to 1 p.m. at Community Lutheran Church, 920 Drever St. in West Sacramento. Representatives of all faith traditions are welcome. Pastor Paul Janke, former director of the Sacramento Area Lutheran Social Services, will make a half-hour presentation on helping families talk about their wishes for end-of-life care. Call 371-8804 for more information.

Help a wrestler

Two local high school wrestling stars are headed for competition out-of-state, and could use your financial help to defray travel costs. Michael DeMars has qualified to compete with the 2,500 best wrestlers in the U.S. at a North Dakota meet, and brother Jason DeMars appears headed for Regionals in Montana. The students have pledged to mentor and coach other athletes. Contributions may be made to the "DeMars Sponsorship," payable to the West Sacramento Foundation, 1414 Merkley Ave. #1, West Sacramento, CA 95691. Donations to the Foundation are tax-deductible.

River concerts

The City of West Sacramento is sponsoring a free "Harmony on the River" concert series on Tuesday evenings 7-8:30 p.m. between June 4 and Sept. 17 at the River Walk Park, near the "ziggurat" building and the Tower Bridge. Children's music by John Carpenter is slated for June 11, country and bluegrass by Lonesome Night on June 18 and a theatrical performance on June 25. Call 373-5860 for additional performers and information.

Bingo

The West Sacramento Elks Lodge will host bingo every Friday night at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6 p.m.) at 423 Third St., through the month of June. Buy-in is $10. A snack bar is on the premises. Bring this article in and receive $1 off your buy-in packet.

No boredom

Help stamp out summer boredom among kids. Order a copy of "Fun in the Sun," a summer resource and activity guide for families in Yolo County, produced by the City of Davis. Many events in the guide are free or low-cost. For a copy of the guide, or for a list of summer camps in the area, call (800) 378-5044 and ask for Letti, Anna, Lynn or Rossana. "Fun in the Sun" can also be found at www.city.davis.ca.us/pcs/childcare/.

GSMS music

Golden State Middle School presents its last concert of the year on Thurs., June 13 at 7 p.m. at the school quad. The concert will present the students' beginning, intermediate, advanced and jazz bands.

Marshall HS 1963

The James Marshall High School Class of '63 is planning its 40th reunion, to be held in September of 2003. Classmates are encouraged to call Louisa Vessell at (916) 451-2113 to offer assistance or the locations of classmates. The Class of '63 committee would also like to hear from members of the Marshall High Class of 1965 committee.

'Grad Bash'

Local graduating seniors are invited to a free "Grad Bash" party at Capitol Bowl in West Sacramento on Friday, June 14, from 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. The city's parks and community service department is one of the sponsors. Call 373-5860.

School & River Cats

Westmore Oaks Elementary School and its kids will be featured at the June 7 Sacramento River Cats baseball game at Raley Field in West Sacramento. Ticket-holders from the school are invited to participate in on-field special activities, and the school's first-graders will sing the national anthem for the game opening at 7 p.m. Student art tiles are now on permanent display at the stadium. Call 375-7730.

Golden Years

The Golden Years Club of West Sacramento will host a catered luau dinner at the VFW Hall, 905 Drever St., on Tues., June 18 at 6 p.m. Please bring your own service. The club is a social club for those 50 and over. Call 371-8479 or 371-8126 for information.

Youth wanted

The City of West Sacramento is looking for junior and senior high school students to serve on the city youth commission for 2002-2003. The commission is designed to help involve youths in city government, while providing input on issues affecting young people in the city. The commission meets the third Monday of each month, and meetings are videotaped and shown on cable channel 21 at 7 p.m. the following Friday. Call 373-5860 for information.

Bus to baseball

Bus service connecting West Sacramento's south area to River Cats baseball at Raley Field begins Friday and continues through the local minor league season. Yolobus will offer service to Southport including the Gateway and Bridgeway Island developments. The bus will offer return service. Call 371-2877 for details.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME PT02-676

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name: Stephanie Dianne Baker

Proposed name: Dmetri Black

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

NOTICE OF HEARING: June 13, 2002, at 8:30 a.m., Dept. 5, at Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, 725 Court St., Woodland CA 95695.

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: News-Ledger.

Date: 5/2/02

Judge William S. Lebov

Judge of the Superior Court

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME PT02-711

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name: Michael Thomas Lester; Proposed name: Michael Thomas Murata.

Present name: Loren Marie Lester; Proposed name: Loren Marie Murata.

Present name: Niko Thomas Lester; Proposed name: Niko Thomas Murata

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

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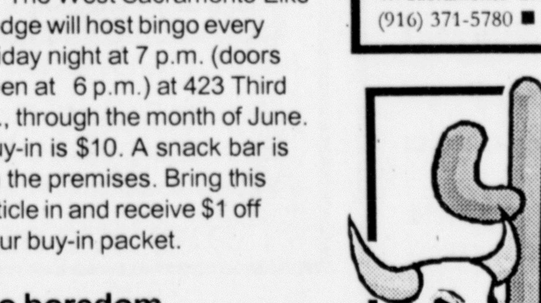

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Answers

1. Keith Hernandez has won 11 Gold Gloves.
2. Gary Gaetti hit 34 and 31 homers with Minnesota in 1986-87.
3. Chicago's Walter Payton accomplished it in 1979.
4. The Big Ten has done it four times; the Big East once.
5. Anaheim's Teemu Selanne won the award in 1998.
6. Benny Parsons led only four laps in winning in 1975.
7. It was 1997.

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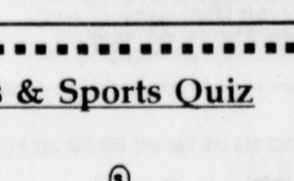

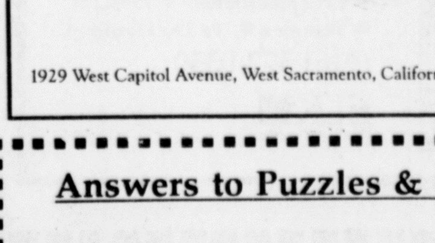

Differences: 1. Lamp has been moved. 2. Cap is missing. 3. Window is bigger. 4. Mom is wearing skirt. 5. Tree has extra branch. 6. Car is missing.

The Review

Inside: Senior Wills

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Updates and Briefs

Seniors to take trip to Santa Cruz

The annual senior trip is just around the corner! On June 7, the seniors will depart to Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk at 7 a.m.

After a fun day at the boardwalk, with few restrictions, they will board a cruise liner in San Francisco for a night of dancing and dining. They will leave at midnight and return home by 2 a.m.

By Shannon Rivers Holme

Eight seniors named valedictorians

The honor of valedictorian is usually bestowed on only one student. This year, however, eight students will hold the coveted title.

The 2002 valedictorians were chosen strictly on their G.P.A; all seniors with a G.P.A. of 4.0 or above were given the title of valedictorian. They are: Andrey Dykan, Olesya Litovka, Sarah Metzer, Keonakone Lattasima, Michelle Jones, Chanel Briggs, Crystal Koell, and Vasiliy Lopuga.

Congratulations to the valedictorians for four years of hard work!

By Ivy Branaman

Two more seniors accepted to four-year college

Seniors Nayomi Olivan and Tuan Nguyen were both accepted to CSU Sacramento. Congratulations!

RC students honored with Academy Awards

On May 28 River City's academies held the Academy Awards. Intel presented a total of $6,800 in scholarships to graduating seniors.

Honorees in the Administration of Justice Law/Pre-Law Academy were Dharsy Cisneros and Jerry Harris.

In the Engineering, Science, and Technology Academy, Christina Gurr, Jamal Hassan, Anthony O'Connor, Timothy Parmley, Angel Quintero, Omar Quintero, Stephen Repace, Adrian Rodriguez, Gloria Salas, Shevelini Surat, Nancy Hernandez, Alexander Macias, Ravitesh Ram, Mujtaba Hassanpur, and Chien Hang Saetern were honored.

By Manorma Umaria

SAT9 Testing 'stressful'

According to Mrs. Broxton, the SAT 9 testing went quite smoothly. "But it was very stressful," she confessed.

"One of the hardest parts was moving the students," she explained. There were countless possible arrangements for each student, and it was very hard to find the one that would work for everyone.

One of the kinks in the program was that the High School Exit Exam make-ups were on the same testing days as the SAT 9s.

Senior walk sparks tears at move-up rally

By Shalini Sumeshwar and Manorma Umaria
Staff Writers

Orange, green, purple and turquoise flooded the bleachers as the last rally of the year began on May 31. Tears were abundant as the Move-Up rally took off with the Senior Walk. Over 200 seniors covered in orange trekked around the field. Many felt like Renae Kumar: "It was really sad walking and knowing that this is the last time we are going to be doing this." Seniors weren't the only ones. Many underclassmen are going to miss the class of 2003. Sophomore Katy Butz said, "This year's seniors had a lot of spirit. They were fun."

Despite the smoldering weather the seats were packed, and the final skits began. Seniors took first place in nearly all the competitions, followed closely by the juniors and sophomores, leaving the freshmen in last place. Freshman Ashika Singh admitted, "The freshmen did come in last a lot, but they do have a lot of spirit."

> *"It was really sad walking and knowing that this is the last time we are going to be doing this."*
> *~Renae Kumar*

The teachers had a chance to take the spotlight, performing a well-rehearsed dance and making everyone smile.

R.C.'s cheerleaders took the field to do their last cheer of the year. Unfortunately, one of the routines literally fell apart, leaving one girl on the ground.

As the excitement wound down, the much-anticipated moving-up part of the rally approached. Sophomore Norren Hassan exclaimed, "We finally get to walk across the field!"

Sen Saetern agreed. "We're movin' on up!" But they didn't. The walk never actually occurred, leaving many students disappointed.

Sophomore Pritika Chand reflected, "We sat in the sun for an hour, just so that we could walk, but we didn't even get to do that."

RC student recognized for achievements

Erica Medina honored by the Concilio of Yolo County for academic achievements

By Liliana Reyes
Staff Writer

On April 27 the Concilio of Yolo County recognized Erica Medina for academic achievement as well as school and community service. In addition, she received letters from her congressmen and Governor Gray Davis congratulating her on her outstanding efforts.

"I feel honored. It feels great to be recognized out of all of Yolo County. There were only 12 of us, and to be one of them is incredible. I'm proud," said Erica.

Erica is a very athletic and active lady at school. She plays softball and soccer and has been senior class president this year.

She is a leader for both Link Crew and M.E.Ch.A. In addition to all these activities, Erica works at Denny's five days a week, and she still has time to do homework.

Erica said she looks up to her parents in particular because they have shown her about life.

Asked what factors are needed to succeed in life, she responded, "I believe you have to be confident, strong and dedicated. Don't doubt yourself and have confidence."

Erica will be attending Sac State in the fall. She will major in criminal justice/sociology and then go into the California Highway Patrol or the Department of Justice.

Five RC staff members to retire this year

By Daniel Wilson
Staff Writer

Five staff members will retire from River City High School this year: Mrs. Larson, Mr. Sorrell, Mr. Engoron, Mrs. Rodland, and Mrs. Kelleher.

Mr. Sorrell has been teaching here at River City as a resource specialist for over 31 years and coached our football team for ten years. Mr. Sorrell said, "I did not want to become a teacher!"

His major in college was engineering. He needed a minor and his dean suggested education. He responded "Yeah right" but he did it and during his student teaching program, he fell in love with the field of education.

Mr. Sorrell enjoys playing tennis, skiing, and traveling. He went to Italy in April, and he goes to the French Open every summer in Paris. Mr. Sorrell actually retired back on February 1 officially, but he stayed on as a long-term substitute so that his students would not have to go through the process of having many substitutes for the rest of the year.

Mrs. Larson is, of course, ***The Review***'s adviser; she has been working with the school newspaper for a total of ten years, and she has also been an English teacher for thirteen years. She had several careers before she became a teacher including writing radio and T.V. commercials and working in community action.

Asked what she does in her spare time, Mrs. Larson said, "Ha! Why do you think I'm retiring?" She said that after her retirement she wants to travel, hike, read, and maybe even write.

Her biggest inspiration for retirement is her new granddaughter, Emily Eagle Eye, who lives in Oregon, where Mrs. Larson will be going after her retirement. Speaking on behalf of ***The Review*** staff, we will all miss her.

Mrs. Rodland has been here at River City for about 28 years. She works in the career center and is in charge of many things here at our school. She helps assign classrooms to teachers, and she runs the Reach program.

Mrs. Rodland also is the person that assigns work permits. Mrs. Rodland will be leaving to "explore another avenue of her life." The things that she does here are countless and I am sure that students and staff will miss her.

Mrs. Kelleher has been a teacher's aide at River City for five years and two years at Golden State.

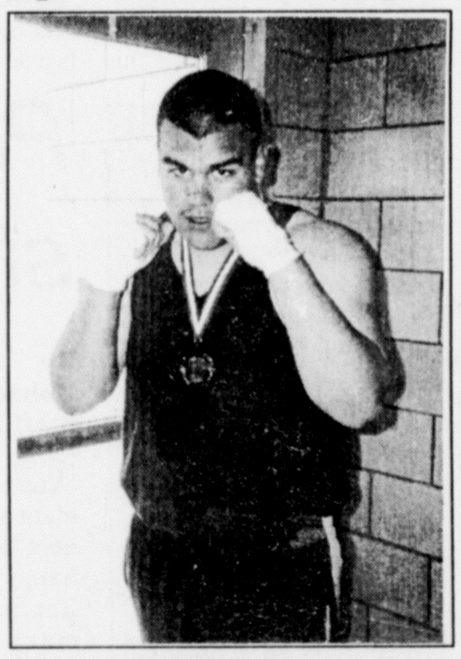
She said, " I plan to move up to Lake Almanor and wake up late as much as possible. I think I might go into being an independent service provider for the state. That means the state will pay me hourly to visit people with impaired vision and to teach them how to get along."

Mrs. Kelleher also leaves the River City students some parting words: "Thanks to all the students and teachers, and everyone who always helped when I needed it or not in the hallways and classrooms, in and out of school. One more thing: try not to let outside activities from school affect your academics because it is all about academics. That's what life is all about."

Mr. Engoron has been teaching here for over thirty-seven years. He currently teaches English and media. He hopes to travel after his retirement and said he wants to retire while he still has energy left. Mr. Engoron is an institution at River City and is profiled elsewhere in this issue of ***The Review***.

RC freshman wins boxing championship

By Manorma Umaria
Staff Writer



Ruben Nunez, a freshman at River City, has been named Junior Olympics Regional State Champion for amateur boxing. Ruben is sponsored by U.S.A Boxing Company, who will send him to Marquette, Michigan, this summer for training.

Asked how he felt about being a champion, Ruben responded, "It feels good. No one at school knows how important the things I am doing are."

Ruben's parents are very proud of him. His father was also a boxer. Ruben hopes to go on to a professional level. Ruben said winning the championship was important to him "because it's what I want to do as a profession. I want to have a career where I love doing my job."

Ruben's dad started fighting when he was 16. He would have been a pro, but u he had an elbow injury, ending his career at 21. Ruben said, "If I succeed, it is because of my father."

RC M.E.Ch.A. officers propose Chicano studies program at River City

By Liliana Reyes
Staff Writer

River City M.E.Ch.A. officers helped put on a workshop in March called "Chicano Roots" at the annual Raza Youth Empowerment Conference sponsored by M.E.Ch.A. of UC Davis for middle and high school students. The workshop focused on a visual collage tracing five main periods of Chicano culture. The collage included the Aztec Sunstone, a timeline that incorporated the piñata and other traditions like Pachuco culture and the zoot suit riots, and the works of present day muralists. This was a day that many Chicanos and Latinos enriched their minds with important historical stories.

As a result of this experience, the M.E.Ch.A members that went have proposed a Chicano studies program here at our campus. "I strongly hope that there will be a Chicano studies class here at River City, because Latino students would be more aware of their culture and roots," said Maira Mercado.

" I strongly hope that by offering the Chicanos Studies class we will decrease the rate of high school dropouts among Latino students at River City," said Mr. McPherson, M.E.Ch.A. adviser.

According to recent statistics, the high school completion rate for Latino students in 1998 was 64 percent, compared with 81 percent for African-American students and 90 percent for white students. Low high school graduation rates mean that there is a much smaller pool of Hispanic college-eligible students. This must be why Hispanics are among the most severely underrepresented group in higher education.

Would this class help lower high school drop outs among Hispanics and increase the rate of graduates? That will certainly be a hard task, but not impossible. Chicano studies would help students gain knowledge about their culture and roots, by encouraging them to make a difference in their communities. It would show that Hispanic people like any other ethnicity have the capacity to be doctors, engineers, teachers, and business people.

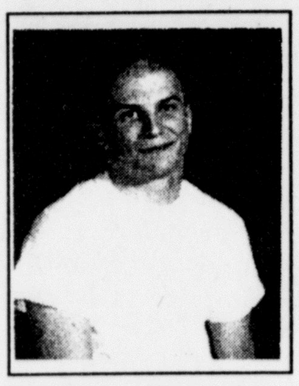
"I believe Chicano studies will fill the big gap of ignorance, because in many cases people confuse the meaning of the traditions and holidays of Mexico," said Sophomore Gisela Chavez. For example, many, including Hispanics, believe that El Dia de los Muertos is like Halloween as, about ghosts and haunted houses. Only a few students like Evelin Guerra know it is a special day when family members and friends remember their loved ones with a special food and objects they liked the most.

On April 28 our local M.E.Ch.A.. committee met with the superintendent and the school board. UC Davis M.E.Ch.A. members came to support a Chicanos studies class for River City. A decision has not been announced.

Perspectives

Question in the Quad

The Review asked River City seniors, "Where do you see yourself ten years from now?" Responses varied from competitiveness to saving the world.

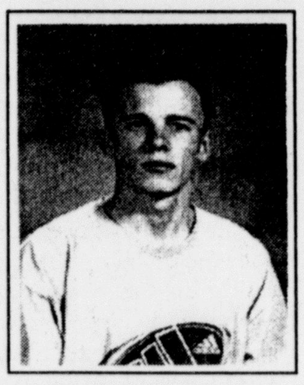


"I'll be wealthy with my gorgeous wife, and be rubbing my wealth in others' faces."

Bryon Groesbeck

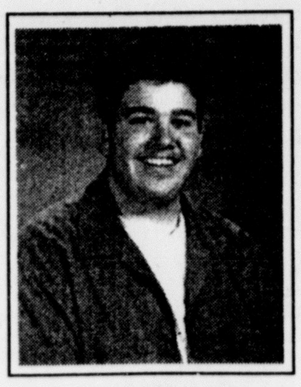
"Still myself, but with a good career and married with a very good looking husband."

Soraya Cuevas



"I dont know, but a fortune teller said I will save the world and die in the next five years."

Anton Spitzyn



"I will be a successful all-around cool guy. I will be better than Bryon Groesbeck."

Alex Matthews

River City's Talented Losers rock the stage

By DJ Butler
Staff Writer

Talented Losers is a band that just about rules the West Sacramento rock scene. They are well known for their own genre of "alternametapunk," music that lead vocalist Mike Parrish says is a mix of bands like System of a Down, Rage Against the Machine, Deftones, and Rancid. The band has sold more than 100 copies of their four-song demo CD, and plays concerts about every weekend.

Vocalist Mike Parrish, drummer Alex Matthews, bassist David Carmona, and guitarist MJ Elepano run the Talented Losers show that has crazy riffs in songs like "Phreddy" and "Think," with strong guitars and drum beats. Mike says that the experience has been overall crazy. "There's been a lot of fun, very educational, and there's been some times when it's been painful, like singing when you have a sore throat." He says that the band teaches him things about people in general, and how to take care of money, and he has learned a lot more about music than he would have known if he weren't in the band.

Before the band goes out on stage, "we just sit around talking about life, personal problems, drink soda, screw around, and just play around," Mike said.

Check out the Talented Losers website at www.talentedlosers.com. Talented Losers t-shirts and hats and their four track demo CD are all for sale.

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Positive attitude propels student of the month

By Shannon Rivers Holme
Staff Writer

You can find him by the radiant smile he's always got on his face. David Ben is a very happy and friendly person. But he isn't shallow! He has many interests and isn't afraid to say that he likes school.

Asked what it felt like to be Renaissance student of the month, David Ben replied, "Being student of the month makes me feel like a nerd, but I am a nerd and proud of it!"

Obviously he also has a very good sense of humor. That is also evident in his choice for his favorite book. "My math book," he said, "because it has pretty pictures!"

It's no wonder David is so well-liked. Not only does he have many friends at school, he has many friends in the Sacramento Youth Band, where he was invited to play. He is very proud of his musical accomplishments.

"My biggest accomplishments have come in playing music. I have participated in many of Sacramento's music communities and I have really enjoyed myself this last year. Since the fourth grade I have been playing clarinet and was invited to play with the Sacramento Youth Band. I also play oboe, bassoon, and tenor saxophone. I also, earlier in the school year, sang in the Capitol Honor Choir with many of River City's proud vocalists."

It is plain to see that music plays a big role in David's life and he is happy to acknowledge one person who he feels influences him the most. "I am very proud of my musical talent I would have to thank Mrs. Alleger for all her help in showing me how to improve my playing."

David Ben was born on June 6, 1985, in Sacramento. He moved to West Sacramento when he was in the fourth grade. He enjoys living in West Sacramento, and he likes the people around him in school. He is one of the most upbeat people at River City, as shown by his favorite quote: "You are never given a wish without being given the power to make it come true."

David works hard and gets results! He is a good student and encourages the younger students by saying to them: "Have the courage to do what your heart feels is right!"

Good advice!

Hip-Hop Dance Team preparing for next year

By Taylor Turner
Staff Writer

River City's Hip-Hop Dance Team is preparing for a successful 2002-2003 season. Next year's advisers are Mr.Mike Cohen and Mrs. Michelle Mejia-Hayes.

The president of this year's team is Nicole Anderson and vice presidents are Yaminah Bailey and Christina Soto. The team consists of Nicole Anderson, Yaminah Bailey, Christina Soto, Vanessa Holmes, Regina Lopez, Ramiro Cervantes, Malakai Mumui, Armando Hernandez, Cesar Mercado, Savay Yon, and Christina Mann.

Although there are only eleven, the team is planning for a team of fifteen. The team has had one try-out and is having another next year, after the welcome back rally. Three choreographers are scheduled to come and introduce new dances to the hip-hop dance team.

"The first try-out was a success. We hope to have many more students join the team," said President Nicole Anderson. "I really enjoy dancing. Making up dances is something I hope to do in the future as a profession" she added.

"I love to dance!" said Advisor Mejia-Hays. "I'm very excited about the team. I believe we're going to do great next year!"

Drama preparing for last performance

By DJ Butler
Staff Writer

Drama has been busy with the many plays that they have performed. The first show was Forbidden Copy that was performed at the Lenaea Festival at Sacramento State University, in January. Director Lauren Nardozzi said she had a lot of fun and that it was a good experience. "I learned a lot about my peers, how to gain their respect as a student director, and how to do the whole procedure because I also had to do things like lights and sound. I do look forward to doing this in the future."

At the Laverne Festival in February, Meagan McBride won for the best writing script, and Alex Matthews for best actor. Meagan McBride commented, "When they called my name, I was shocked. It was a great feeling that I had written a play that won an award! It was really neat that my direction helped win an award for another actor. I guess you could call him my protégé."

The spring play, *Scenes and Revelations* was performed on April 22, 23, and 24 at Natomas High School. The cast members were Lauren Nardozzi, Felix Pulido, Elizabeth Sexton, Athena Baker, Lanna Kalista, Alex Matthews, and Courtney Usery. Anthony Santiago was stage director, and Meagan McBride was assistant director.

For drama's last project they have to perform an abridged version of a Shakespearean play in front of the class at the end of the year. Beginning drama class, is doing *A Midsummer's Nights Dream,* and the fifth period advanced and beginning mixed drama is doing *Hamlet* and *Romeo and Juliet*,

Syncopating Sea Monkeys take the floor

By DJ Butler
Staff Writer

"Sacramento Gets Jazzy" was the theme for this year's Sacramento Jazz Jubilee, and that's what the Syncopating Sea Monkeys did. They played in the grand opening parade and played nine sets over the four-day festival. They performed for children and adults, blending jazz, blues and a lot of impromptu comedy to make an amazing 45-minute set that would get your feet tapping, your body moving, and get you chuckling through the entire set.

The jazz band practiced hard before hitting the stage to play their set. "We practiced on one Saturday, from seven to ten o'clock, and in class every day to get it just perfect," said bassist Jon Kalista.

The Syncopating Sea Monkeys. Does it sound like a tongue twister? That's what the announcer said about the name at the Children's Stage. But where did this crazy name come from? Many people in the band said the same thing: "It's a really cool name, but I don't know where it came from." The music director, Ms. Alleger, said, "The students wanted to call it the 'Drowning Sea Monkeys.' I felt it was too violent. Because syncopation is one key element in jazz, we named it the Syncopating Sea Monkeys."

Lead singer Kia Parsons introduced the band, throwing in a lot of humor. Band members are Jeff Flores on trumpet, David Ben on clarinet and vocals, Krista Penney on clarinet, Wrenda Rogers on tenor saxophone, David Hall on Trumpet, Patrick Farnsworth on trombone and vocals, Alex Lokteff on trombone, Samantha Washum on baritone sax, Tyler Peters on baritone sax, Chelsea Farnsworth on piano and vocals, Nahum Zdybel on guitar, Jon Kalista on bass guitar, Alex Matthews on drums, vocals and washboard, and Silas Zdybel on drums.

On Memorial Day the band played a song in honor of the men and women whofought in war. Jeff Flores introduced "What A Wonderful World" and played a trumpet solo, and David Ben sang.

At the last show, Ms. Alleger surprised the seniors with gifts. They were all sad to be leaving and happy that Ms. Alleger thought of them.

Kia Parsons' performance was outstanding. She made songs like "St. James Infirmary" sound soulful, and the smile on her face through the entire set showed that she really liked what she was doing.

Another talented young singer is Chelsea Farnsworth. She sang "Jump, Jive and Wail" and "Avalon."

All in all, it was a great jubilee and was very enjoyable for anyone from a year old to 90 years. Ms. Alleger said, "I'm very impressed with their performance. I believe that it was the best that the band has ever performed."

Senior Wills

*I, **Mariana Arias**, leave to **Mrs. McMahen** my respect and appreciation. To Cenallelly my love and friendship. To all my friends, all the good times and memories. To all my teachers and counselors, thanks.*
***Plans**: college- SCC*

*I, **Emma Barajas**, leave to Felicia a ticket to the graduation. To Mrs. Schroeder, I leave all the weight that I lost. To the rebels, I leave all the memories and fun times. To all the children that admired me and wanted to be me, I leave them a kiss, a hug, and my crown.*
***Plans:** college, to become famous*

*I, **Heather Bartelson**, leave to my underclassman friends, my smile and my heart. To Mrs. Alleger, I leave my thanks and all the memories. And to the students of next year, I leave my best wishes.*

*I, **Danny Beus**, leave to the tennis team all the memories. To Dave, I leave my dedication and all my effort. To all my friends I leave my memory. I love you all! J.C. don't slack off!*

*I, **Chanel Briggs**, leave to my sister, Leanne, all of my homework and projects to do. I leave Doug my tap shoes and Rachelle my filing. I leave all of my orange spirit to Jennifer and leave my friends with the great memories we made together.*
***Plans:** to attend UC Davis and become a communications major.*

*I, **Kelly Chhun**, leave to the students and staff of River City the realization that even though all is said and done, in the end it was all worth the wait. I also leave behind my intelligence and talents to my lil' sister. Sina, may the bloodline be continued and remembered. I love you and good luck. For all those I missed, I leave the memories I've created and the future I've built for myself. Peace.*
***Plans:** I will be attending California State University of Chico for the next two years and try to get into advertising/public speaking.*

*I, **Dharsy Cisneros**, leave my sister all my memories. Coach Hatz and the softball team I leave our one-day playoff game vs. Dixon, and my love. Coach Dennis, I thank you for being like a father to me. To Coach Seffens I leave my smile. Coach Baker, I leave all my happiness. Everyone else, I leave my friendship.*
***Plans:** College and softball.*

*I, **James Dahill**, leave to Dave my spelling tests and book. To Joseph, my computer journal. To Kenny, my helpful ways in Room 68.*

*I, **Chivonne Dunn**, leave to Everise Lennox all the Thursday memories, the friendship, and family memories we've shared. To Brittany Sanders all the little outbursts since the day we met. To Princess Livingston all the family issues we all went through. Basically all memories left to my home girls and keep striving ya'll. Love ya'll.*
***Plans:** My plans for after high school are going to college, pursue my career goals in life, and become more independent.*

*I, **Donald Ertel**, leave to all my friends all the good times we had and all of the good memories.*
***Plans:** After high school I plan on going to community college and transferring to a four year university.*

*I, **Lori Franco**, leave to the Rebels our memories and all the good times. To my little sister Lily, I leave my attitude problem and a school full of many surprises. Last but not least, I leave my fame.*
***Plans:** go to college*

*I, **David Garcia**, leave to Angelica Reyes a huge part of my heart and my everlasting love. To Henry and Tony, I leave my record of 12, sshhh! Magby, I leave you my sense of humor. Lil Tony and Travis, I leave you guys my unlimited b-ball skills. Everyone else, I leave many happy memories to keep and cherish. Peace.*
***Plans:** I will be attending Cosumnes River College to play basketball and then I will transfer to a four year university.*

*I, **Megan George**, leave to Coach Baker my class ring so he always a little extra "Bling-Bling!" To Toria, I leave my memories, friendships, and courage to always look forward and chase what I want. To Mme Connolly, I leave the mess of the French account. Enjoy! To everyone else, I leave the experience of high school! Make it one you'll never forget.*
***Plans:** I plan to attend Chico State University and graduate in the year 2007.*

*I, **Bryon Groesbeck**, leave to all the underclassmen this advice: be yourself. Who cares what people say, just know that you are better than them.*

*I, **Katie Harris**, leave to Andy friendship and Lizzie to watch over. To Bg, Shannon, Christian, and Anna, the spirit and memories for next season. For Sarah and Jon: the millions of laughs. And for everyone who was close to me, I leave my gratitude and thanks.*
***Plans:** UC Davis in the fall*

*I, **Nancy Hernandez**, leave to Leanne, Nika, Amanda, Jessica, Katty, Mo, Vicky, Versha, Nai, and the JV and freshman basketball players my hard work, determination, and all the memories we shared during my high school career. To Tony, my little bro, I leave you my courage and bravery to accomplish whatever you endure. And to my sisters-n-friends, I leave all the memories we shared and hope to encounter many more.*
***Plans:** After high school, I will be attending Sacramento State University to major in Mechanical Engineering and Business.*

*I, **Samuel Hernandez**, leave to the school all the memories of the years. To M.E.Ch.A., all my artwork and support. To Mr. McKee and the electronics academy, keep up the good work. To Mr. Shumacher, keep up your artistic talent and great teaching. Everyone else peace, adios.*
***Plans:** My plans for after high school are to go to college and have a successful job in the field of technology, science and/or art.*

*I, **Jessika Holsey**, leave to the drama family all the good times and cherished memories. To Nick and Jasmine, I leave you three more years without me. GOOD LUCK! To Meag, Liz, Rachelle, and Lauren, I love you and will miss you. To everyone else here: it's just high school, get over it. Lighten up.*
***Plans:** I'm going to earn my Masters of Fine Arts in Fashion and start my own line, and spend the rest of my time soaking up the sun.*

*I, **Amanda Hughes**, leave to my little "NBA" brother, Cam, my love and great high school memories. Make me proud! Carlos, "The Flan," I love you guys! Bg, my friendship, SFL and my smile, lots of love babe! The RC cheerleaders, "Top Team!" Everyone else, my sweetness! Good luck! Lastly but not least I leave Coach B "My bling, bling & power bar."*
***Plans:** College, medical assistant*

*I, **Jeremiah Hunt**, leave to Justin my wrestling skills. To Coach Baker, my big man pull ups. To Mike, my state patch. To all my friends, the memories and the future. I will miss you all.*
***Plans:** I plan to wrestle in college.*

*I, **Miguel Jimenez**, leave to my brother Jacob my Boricua status. To my sister, my faith and to all the other peeps, my strength, courage, and wisdom.*
***Plans:** I plan on serving four years in the Air Force then attend Cal Poly University majoring in Engineering.*

*I, **Chris Jordan**, leave to Mr. Duff the sideburns that will never fade. To the underclassmen, I leave the reality of procrastination; don't wait 'til the last minute for anything. To everybody at River City, I leave my accomplishments because I can't be stopped and I'm on my way to the top.*
***Plans:** I plan to attend Cosumnes River College long enough to transfer to a four year university like UC Davis, UC Berkeley, or one in southern California.*

*I, **Willie Knox**, leave to Rena Smith our table in the cafeteria, hopefully it's not taken over. And for all the good times as well. To Stacey Paige, I leave you my love and our millennium tape. If I forgot anyone I probably meant to forget you. Have a nice life!*

*I, **Asha Kumar**, leave to my most favorite cousin, Ricky Bandhu, my fun memories and the best luck with his football seasons. To the underclassmen I leave my motivation to always do their best even when they feel there is nothing left. To the future seniors, I leave the class of 2002's "Seniorade" to cure their biggest cases of senioritis.*
***Plans:** I am going to Heald College and will be working.*

*I, **Jared Leisure**, leave to the class of 2003 and down the knowledge that you are not the best in the world. To Jeremy Leisure, I leave behind my superior I.Q. and my dashing charm. To Blake Reed, I leave a big heeeeeh!! To my siblings coming up, I leave my heart. To Whyte and the folks, I leave my shifting skills.*
***Plans:** I plan on going to the Air Force, write a book, then move in with Hugh Heffner.*

*I, **Alex Lokteff**, leave to Leanne my title as Powerlifter of the Year. To those who have yet to find courage to come out, I leave my confidence. To the band, Seamonkeys, and AVE, I leave my memories and experience. To my friends, I leave my love. Good luck, everyone!*
***Plans:** American River for two years, then transfer to a four-year somewhere south.*

*I, **Cristal Lopez** leave to Adriana, Lucia, and Nydia my laughs, memories, friendship, and good times. To Maria Gomez I leave my crazy experiences and my friendship.*

*I, **Veronica Maldonado**, leave to my favorite sister Vanessa my crazy experiences and love, to my brother David the ability to be nice, to Anita my brother, and to my little sis Monique memories and secrets. To my friends, our memories.*
***Plans:** I will be working and going to college.*

*I, **Alexander Matthews**, leave to Andrea, Kevin, Richard, and Katie all the laughs and fun in Spanish. To Lanna, I leave my Mock Trial skills. To Piece of Mind and Dead Georg,e I leave my fame. To Meagan and Liz, I leave my acting skill. To Athena, my friendship. To anyone I forgot, I leave my apologies.*
***Plans:** I am attending UCSD and majoring in computing and the arts.*

*I, **Leanna McBride**, leave to my brother Eddie, my knowledge. To Dez and Versha, I leave all my softball skills. To Ms. Hatz, I leave all the softball memories, especially making playoffs. To all of my friends, I leave all of our good memories throughout the years.*

*I, **Danielle McKenzie**, leave to my little sisters: Hillary, my softball skills and Nicole, my memories. To Versha and Dez, I leave my friendship and good times. To Ms. Hatz, I leave all the good memories of softball and also the memory of the playoffs. To those I missed, good bye.*
***Plans:** After high school I plan to go to city college and become a pre-school teacher and also maybe further my education after that.*

*I, **Erica Medina**, leave to Monique my leadership skill. Michael and Brandi my intelligence. To Alex being able to graduate. And to ally friends (the ones who were really there) my cell phone to always KIT. Oh yeah, and to David my big muscles and my great attitude.*

Senior Wills

Plans: *I will be attending CSUS and working.*

I still can recall
The first part of the year
When all of us thought
We'd never be outta here.
A hundred eighty days
Seemed like so long
But before we all knew it
Those days were all gone.
Now it's time to sign yearbooks,
Time to say goodbye,
Time to think back on years
That so quickly flew by.

We'll laugh at the things that we
did fres man year,
Cry 'cuz we kn ow graduation is
ne ar.
Smile when we look back on home-
coming and prom,
Frown when we remember all the
things things we've done wrong.
But whether our thoughts bring a
chuckle or a tear,
We will never forget the memories
made here.

Some friends we'll talk to,
Some friends we won't,
We'll all say we'll keep in touch,
But son e of us won't.
Some of us will succeed,
Others will fail.
Sometimes our boats will sink,
Sometimes we'll sail.
From now till whenever
The memories of this place
Will last forever.

~Shelley Tuttle
c/o 2002

I, Meghan Melendez, *leave to Rena, last of black shirts, my love of the student body and our moments in hell. Jessica, my hard core school spirit and memories of foods. Srina, our PE moments and stay away from white aliens. Joe, 3 years of fun. I'll write the real stuff in your yearbooks.*
I, Pedro Melendez, *leave to Jessie my status as big man on campus, my chair in electronics I leave to James (I hope you enjoy it). To my little buddy Roger I leave my backpack. Mari, I give my well wishes to a happy senior year and life. I leave to everyone on this campus the hope that someone will be able to replace me and be as funny. Maybe Jessie will.*

Plans: *Sac City then Sac State. Marry my boy Steven, procreate, take over everyone, and die.*

I, Greg Mistler, *leave to my babe, Bridgette, all my heart, love, and cheer faces. To Schaffer, the rattler and the ace spot. To Tony M., the Bibby point guard skills and the mini-goat. To Easy, the clutch playoff performances. To Seffens, thanks for the optimist game and keepin' faith in #23.*
Plans: *UC Davis*

I, Tammy Moncus, *leave to "Cowboy," my little brother, all my determination to never give up. To Mrs. Higgins, I leave all the smiles she helped me make. To all my friends, I leave our memories.*
Plans: *I plan to go to college and work*

I, Andrew Montana, *leave to River City the hope that eventually you can become a school capable of teaching. To the few mature underclassmen (they know who they are) I leave strength, courage, and wisdom. To everyone else, I leave the shaking fist of consequence and karma.*
Plans: *To leave California and become a modern day Troubadour, marry the one I'm meant to be with, and LIVE!*

I, Danielle Myers, *leave to Chelsea the responsibility of Justin, my swimming ability, and friendship. To Kristie and Kelly, I leave my intelligence, experiences, and advice. To Justin, Alton, and Shaun, the privilege and experience of driving my car anytime. To the swim team, I leave my times, records, and skills.*
Plans: *UC Santa Cruz, majoring in mathematics*

I, Manivanh Nathavongsa, *leave to Michael Slack my future and love. To Dave Brooks, my apologies. To Christina Man, Michelle Jones, Phanh Vonaphouthone, and Keonakone Lattasima, I leave my loyalty and K.I.T.'s. To the rest of the River Citians, I leave you with great happiness.*
Plans: *College: Sac State . . . . not a big deal at all.*

I, Edwina Nasario, *leave to Ms. Leifson two years of fun times on the swim team. To Mrs. Connolly, I leave four years of French. To everyone else, I leave my good memories.*

I, Kristina Norris, *leave to the varsity cheer squad "Top Team." To Anna, P.O.P. Tear it up. To Travis, a great senior year. To Bridgette, the summer of 2000. To Vanessa make-12-shine. To Ms. Costanza, Miss Janet. To Mrs. Tyler, I am hungry! To Katy Butz good luck. To all my friends all of our great memories. To the class of 2006 let the Orange Pride reign.*
Plans: *To live in a whole new world with my prince.*

I, Brenda Perez, *leave to the underclassmen my hard work and effort. To all my friends, I leave the years full of crazy experiences and memories. To everyone else, see you around.*
Plans: *I'm going to Sacramento City College and transfer out to CSUS and to get a job.*

I, Daniel Perez, *leave to my brother, big Al, all the knowledge I have acquired over the last four years and all the ssassss. To River City I leave all the frisc game and skills. To all the ladies and fellas see you around. To Chunn, Repace, and the Rock, peace. Girls, let's kick it.*
Plans: *I will be moving to Chico and attending Chico State University majoring in finance.*

I, Iczert Quintero, *leave to my sister, Maricela, my attitude and strength to help you get through one more year and life. To the underclassmen, I leave my mistakes to learn from. To my friends, I leave my smiles and memories. To Mikachu, I leave my superpowers, "U KNO DIS AINT 2 GHETTO!"*
Plans: *College, fashion designing, radio, work and getting married to my love Marshaun.*

a cool wind brushes my face
the smell of memories in the air
a familiar face, familiar look.
i stare and wonder
how it was, how its changed.
a boy's gentle smile, a girl's soft touch.
the laughter, the sobbing, the shouting
all echo in my mind.
images of a time and place forgotten
remembrance of emotion warped by age.
i stand in the warm sun
as i listen to the fading whispers. . .

alexandria d. lokteff

I, Stephen Repace, *leave my thanx to all the teachers who helped me get through high school in a fun and exciting manner, without you I'd be lost. I love you. To my dogs, Mr. Chhun, Mr. Perez, and Mr. Leisure, stay ballin baby. I want to leave good luck to all juniors, sophomores, and freshmen. Represent!!*
Plans: *To major in C.I.S. at Sac City College. Can't wait!*

I, Victor Rodriguez, *leave to my brother AJ everything that I once owned. I leave all my love to everyone, but mainly Elissa. Mechistas keep it up and do good next year. I leave you all my "courage" to do well.*
Plans: *My plans after high school are to go to college and join the military.*

I, Gloria Salas, *leave to the class of 2002 my status. To my softball team, the playoffs! To all my girls, put it down. To R.V., my heart. To all the underclassmen, all my bad habits. To C.G., my good attendance. To every one else, my memory.*
Plans: *I plan to attend American River.*

I, Nareeta Singh, *leave to Shalini, Manorma, and Romal my friendship and all the good laughs that we had together. To Coach Brooks and the tennis team, I leave my memories.*
Plans: *I will be attending CSUS.*

I, Silvia Sorria, *leave to Mariana all the years we've shared, the laughs, and tears. To Hilario, I leave all the good times we had at lunch. To Andrew I leave Oscar's N64 and all the laughs we had in class. To Angelica and Glinnis, I leave all the great memories we've had.*
Plans: *I plan to attend SCC then transfer to a UC. My major will be psychology.*

I, Bobbi Swearingen, *leave to Mariana all the good times I had throughout the years. To Mrs. Connolly all the laughs. You will never be forgotten. To Mr. Medina, some Miracle Grow. To everyone else, I love you. Good luck and keep smiling!*
Plans: *I plan to attend Sacramento City College and major in psychology.*

I, Leslee Thompson, *leave to Mr. Wernsman my constant nagging questions and continual whining. To Jeremy, my alarm clock. To all my friends, the memories we have made throughout the years and the happy moments frozen in pictures. Finally, to Jared, my never-ending love that will forever be with you.*
Plans: *UC Davis, majoring in psychology*

I, Shelley Tuttle, *leave to Coach Baker, my positive chi. To Lanna, "No brakes bud . . . . and all of my hula making supplies. To Erire, my chipmunk voice. To Katie, the train ride at the fair. To Kevin, all of the Taco Bell memories. To GB, my buffness. To Ally, my orange M&M costume and all of my spirit.*
Plans: *Next year I will be repeating my senior year in France through AFS. Then I plan on going to Colorado State University and majoring in Animal Science. I hope to attend vet school there!*

I, Courtney Usrey, *leave to Kayla my bizarre weirdness that you love me for. Mme. Connolly I give you my horrid singing voice. Mike you are left with my perseverance because one day you will be in my shoes. Mr. Duff I give you all our memories because you know I am the best SM you will ever have.*
Plans: *I plan to go to American River and get an A.S. in Fire Science and Technology with a minor in Theater Arts.*

I, Carlos Valdez, *leave to any of the teachers that had to deal with my attitude, my apologies. To my brother Omar, keep your head up, you're almost there. To all my friends, I leave my best wishes and memories.*
Plans: *College*

I, Kelsey West, *leave to DJ and Ally my love, leadership, and competitive spirit. To Heather, my playing time. To Eric, my good mood. To Leanne, I leave my defense. I leave Zeddie my good grades. To Larry, my smile. To Lanna, I leave a whut whut. To all my friends, I leave our memories.*
Plans: *I'm going to Sac State in the fall and majoring in Liberal Studies.*

I, Courtney Yeargin, *leave to Laura my position as ASB president. To Bg, I leave one big smile to last a whole year. To Erin, I leave my Mia Hamm status, use it! To Victoria, I leave the SFFL, keep it going! To Caleb, I leave the game of bowling, go get your 89! Super Fro, some patience.*
Plans: *Southern Oregon University majoring in Criminal Justice*

Graduating

As we wait for our names to be called,
And look at our parents so proud,
There's so few words that can be said
Of how we feel in front of the cheering crowd.

High school is over, we are moving on.
But nobody can forget the time we had spent
During the four years that have come and gone
All getting ready for this one event.

Teachers have seen it year after year,
New faces each summer who can't wait to leave.
But as the end of high school grows near,
We can't seem to grasp it, can't seem to believe.

Our life is just starting out side of these halls.
The real world's waiting for us to arrive.
Our future is open, opportunity calls.
Now what's next, we will all try to strive.

We will always remember the fun that we shared
With our friends and classmates during the years
Our memories will live on as we move ahead.
It's hard to think back without any tears.

When your name is called, walk up there with pride
With teachers, friends, parents all there by your side

~ Olesya Litovka

I, Monica Zuniga, *leave to Mrs. Tyler my little sister to take care of and guide her to the right path. To Lupita, I leave all my memories, friendships, and laughs. To my friends, I leave our crazy experiences. To the Class of 2002, GOODBYE!*
Plans: *Sacramento City College, then transfer to Sac State*

Features

Mr. Engoron to retire after teaching at River City for 37 years

By Ivy Branaman
Editor

The year 1965 seems a world away. In 1965 America was in the midst of the civil rights movement as well as the feminist movement; 1965 was the year Malcolm X was assassinated. Thirty-seven years ago, America was not the America teenagers now know. The nation has changed greatly during the past thirty-seven years and so has River City. One teacher, Roy Engoron, began teaching English and drama at River City in 1965. Today, in 2002, he is preparing for his retirement.

During the past thirty-seven years Mr. Engoron has established himself as an institution; taking his sophomore English class is a right of passage for RC students. "I wanted to go while I still had energy left," Mr. Engoren said of his decision to retire.

While he admits that it will be hard to leave people he likes and respects, he is happy he doesn't have to get up at four in the morning anymore. He is also pleased that his retirement will give him the opportunity to travel, something he loves. Mr. Engoren hopes to travel to every western European country and Asia.

"I love the food, except in London. I love to talk with people," Mr. Engoren explained of his passion for traveling, "It's a rewarding experience. We don't realize how fortunate we are [as Americans]. I go to Budapest or Prague and there are people trying to get passes for the bus. We have cars. What we went through on September 11, countless countries in Europe have gone through countless times."

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> *~Mr. Engoron*

His decision to retire, he said, has something to do with his mother's death in December. "I want to go while I still have energy. I want to see if there's life after high school," he remarked with a smile. Teaching, he admits, is not what it used to be. "It's gotten tougher. Education isn't valued the way it used to be," he lamented.

His educational values have made a deep impact on the students he has taught. He is close friends with quite a few of his former students and has even inspired some of his former drama students to enter the world of show business.

Mr. Engoren's most memorable moments at River City, he says, are almost every opening night. His first play was in 1967 and his last in 1998. He notes *Barefoot in the Park, The Fantastics,* and *Whose Life Is It Anyway ?* as memorable productions. "Looking back [at the productions], I think, 'We did a good job,' " he remarked. Mr. Engoren commends the school's faith in atypical shows for high school, shows that embraced themes of spousal abuse, child abuse, and homosexuality.

As Mr. Engoren leaves River City thirty seven years after he arrived, he wishes everyone the best of luck. "River City will always have a special place in my heart. I hope everything gets better and better."

The only advice he leaves for students is, "Listen to your teachers."

River City senior to go to France for one year as foreign exchange student

By Ivy Branaman
Editor

After graduation all of River City's seniors will begin a new life. The Class of 2002 will no longer worry about tardy sweeps, dress code violations, or the latest gossip. They will, instead, be working and/or going to college. One River City senior, though, is not through with high school.

During the first week of September Shelley Tuttle will leave for France where she will attend high school as a senior. She will leave West Sacramento behind to live for ten months in a foreign country with a family of strangers.

"I've lived in West Sac my whole life," Shelley said. "I want to get away and see the world." She admits she will miss her family, friends, and Jamba Juice. "I always say negative things about West Sac, but once I leave I'll figure out what I like about it," she remarked.

Shelley has taken French all four years of high school and has served as vice-president of the French Club for the past two years. When deciding to be a foreign exchange student, learning the French language interested her most.

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> *~ Shelley Tuttle*

"I think I know it [the language] now, but when I go over there I know I am not going to know it. It'll take me awhile because they speak so fast," Shelley remarked, "and they say the only way to really learn a language is to speak it all the time." The French exchange student that Shelley hosted two years ago has prepared her for both the difficulty of learning a language as well as the cultural differences she is sure to encounter.

Shelley said, "It exposed me to the different cultures. I didn't think there was a whole different world out there, and it helped me be prepared for that."

"My mom encouraged me to do it [be a foreign exchange student] since I was little," Shelley commented. It is no surprise then that her parents are supporting her $7,000 trip. Still, Shelley said, she is waiting on some scholarships and needs every penny she can get. Shelley, though, is fearful of one thing. "I'm scared everyone there will be serious, and they'll think I'm crazy," she said.

After she completes her stay in France, Shelley will attend Colorado State University majoring in Animal Science. She hopes to become a veterinarian.

Shelley explained her decision to attend Colorado State University instead of UC Davis, "I want to live on campus, meet new people. If I stayed here, I don't think I'd get the whole college experience."

Ms. Allard's positive outlook inspires students

By Shannon Rivers Holme
Staff Writer

"Good morning, Shannon," Ms. Allard says with a smile every morning first period as I stumble in the door grumbling and searching for homework. Her positive outlook is what shows through to her students and makes them want to learn what she is teaching.

"She's a great teacher. She's always so perky!" said Nareeta Singh, one of Ms. Allard's many students.

So why does Ms. Allard have such a positive outlook towards teaching?

"I had really great teachers in high school who encouraged me to work hard and succeed. I also love math," she said. Although she wouldn't think of doing anything else now, when she was younger, she wanted to either be an accountant or a doctor.

When she's not busy going to school herself at U.C. Davis or student-teaching a class here at River City, she likes to read, hang out with friends, and write. It's no surprise that she enjoys reading and writing since her second favorite subject in school was English.

Ms. Allard loves it here, but this is not where she's from. She's from Manhattan Beach near Los Angeles. Although she misses home, she thinks this a great school to be at. "I really like it. It's very diverse. And everybody is so supportive of each other," she said.

But it doesn't really remind her of her hometown, "I grew up in a town that had absolutely no diversity. West Sacramento is a little bit larger than the city I'm from, too," she added.

Another quality that appeals to her students is Ms. Allard's youthfulness. As student Gisela Chavez pointed out, "She's a good teacher. She's young so she's not boring."

Ms. Allard feels that being young helps her relate to her students much better, she said.

Teaching can be challenging at times, but she draws inspiration from two sources: "my parents because they are very supportive and encourage me to do what I want to do and my credentialing adviser because he's very smart and really helps me with learning about the classroom."

The best thing about teaching for Ms. Allard is "working with the students and seeing their eyes light up when they understand. It's challenging but fun and rewarding at the same time."

There are many different aspects to being a teacher. "My most interesting moment was going to my first football game and dance and seeing how the kids reacted to my presence," Ms. Allard said.

There are also difficult and challenging moments for Ms. Allard in the classroom. "My most challenging moment was teaching for the first time in front of the Algebra II class and realizing how hard it is to get concepts across," she explained.

Ms. Allard feels she is working hard to improve everyday, and she is very popular with her students because of it.

Veronica Novinsky vigorously works to attend college of her choice

By Krystle Parkison
Staff Writer

"I feel very honored that I have been recognized for all my hard work. I have put a lot effort into my school work, and it feels great that someone has noticed and acknowledged me," said Veronica Novinsky about her Student of the Month nomination. Veronica, also known as "Nika", a junior, was Student of the Month for May.

Her hard work shows through on the court, when she's not in the classroom. "I have loved basketball ever since I was young," explained Veronica. "I have played all three years so far and plan to play next year. If I don't continue in college, that won't be the end for me...I will never stop hoopin' it up," she claimed.

When she's not playing basketball, Veronica loves hanging out with friends. She's very active and likes to keep herself busy. "I'm either working out or singing along to music. I enjoy reading poetry, going on long, relaxing walks, and spending time with the ones I love," she confessed.

> *"I want to meditate with the monks in Tibet, sunbathe on the Spanish beaches, and flyfish on the tundra in Alaska."*
> *~Veronica Novinsky*

Veronica vigorously works at her schooling now so she can continue at Gonzaga University. There she wants to study psychology or teaching, making a career out of being a psychologist, teacher, or even a doctor.

With all that work and her career in mind, Veronica also maps out a very busy life for herself.

"I want to meditate with the monks in Tibet, sunbathe on the Spanish beaches, and fly-fish on the tundra in Alaska," she said. She also wants to become a wife and mother.

Asked about her position as a role model here at River City she replied, "Wow...I've never thought of myself as a role model. What would I tell everyone? I would tell them that hard work may not be what rewards us today, but eventually it will all be worth it."

'The hippie teacher' plays guitar and records rock music

By Daniel Wilson
Staff Writer

Here at River City we have a huge diversity of interests amongst our teachers and right in the middle of all this diversity there is a man named Mr. Mike Shriver. He has been a teacher for eighteen years. He taught for five years at Lutheran Ventura High School, a private school in the Simi Valley, and thirteen here at River City. It took him nine years at three different colleges to become a teacher. He said, "Maybe that was because I goofed off during my first two years of college."

Mr. Shriver teaches world history, psychology, and U.S. government/economics. He grew up in a political environment and during the Watergate scandal and Viet Nam. He said that, along with his interest in politics, influenced him to teach history and government.

Mr. Shriver is not all about teaching, though. He and a friend have a part time band. They had a drummer at one time but he has since left them. They both play guitar and record rock music. Mr. Shriver said, "It's more of a mixture of folk and blues tied in with a rock sound. I think that we are better than most of the artists out there." They are currently trying to get a CD put out. They have never really done any gigs, but when he was younger he attended some jam sessions. He would go to after-hour bars and play his guitar with other musicians.

He has written a song about history, using music as another method of teaching.

Recently, Mr. Shriver was offered an administration job, but he turned it down because of his love for teaching. "I love this profession and I enjoy the contact with the students. I also like being in the classroom." He said he used to keep his hair long, and many students began to refer to him as "The Hippie Teacher." He was only nine years old at the height of the hippie movement, so he is really too young to be a hippie, but the trend kind of stuck with him for the rest of his life. After becoming a staff member for the Administration of Justice/Prelaw Academy, however, he cut his hair, because he wanted to set a positive example for the students who are required to keep their hair short. He said, "I got tired of people associating my long hair with drug usage. Drugs are not part of my life and I do not want them associated with me."

Sports and Activities

Wrestler Mike DeMars headed to national championships

By Taylor Turner
Staff Writer

Mike DeMars isn't just your everyday high school student. He is one of the most accomplished wrestlers at River City High School and in the state. Mike received first place in the California State Freestyle Wrestling Competition and in the Sacramento Area Wrestling Association finals. He also placed first in the Far Western Tournament.

On May 18, Mike DeMars won a second state championship at the California Greco Roman wrestling tournament. So far, Mike is undefeated in freestyle wrestling with a record of 29-0, and is headed for the national championships in Fargo, North Dakota, in June.

"Hopefully I can place third or higher in the nationals," said Mike. Mike is looking for donations to help pay for his trip to nationals. Anyone who is interested in contributing should see Coach Jerry Ferris.

"Mike's accomplishments are very impressive, especially considering the fact that he's a sophomore. He's starting to gain the cockiness that all good wrestlers have," Coach Ferris commented. "Mike is only one of the promising wrestlers that we have coming back next year. Others include Johnny Sweeten and Justin Hunt," he continued.

Mike has three role models: his parents and his older brother Jason DeMars. Mike said, "My family gives me a lot of inspiration and support." Without my parents coming to all of my events, I don't think that I would be as successful as I have been."

Jeremiah Hunt will also wrestle at the national championships in Fargo. Jeremiah is another one of the most accomplished wrestlers at River City. He also won a state title at the California Greco Roman wrestling tournament on May 18.

Coach Jerry Ferris will take over the Golden State Middle School wrestling program next year to help increase the number of wrestlers entering the high school. "This was a great year for me as head coach. It's fun to coach great kids like Mike and Jeremiah," said Coach Ferris.

R.C. golfer first ever to qualify for sections

By Krystle Parkison
Staff Writer

On May 13th Jon Daniel made history and enjoyed every minute of it. Jon was the first member of any golf team in River City's history to make it to sections. "It was really exciting to go, but I was disappointed. I felt I should have won, or at least played better," said Jon.

Jon had been working toward his goal of making it to sections for about three years, but began playing long before that. "I have been playing since I was about ten...it was Dad who got me interested," explained Jon. "The competition at sections was tough. I learned not to get ahead of myself, to just focus on the present."

Jon believed in himself, as did his coach, Mr. Hanagan. "Yes, I absolutely thought he had the capability to go as far as he did. His success is due to his love for the game, hard work, positive mental outlook, competitiveness, and pride," said Coach Hanagan.

"He worked really hard and we were all proud of his achievements. He deserved it," commented teammate D.J. West.

Jon claims that he should have "spent more time on his chipping and putting," and encourages his teammates to "believe you can because you can." He also tells his teammates to "always believe in yourself because anything is possible."

Jon plans to continue his golfing success playing for American River College.

Coach, teacher, writer... Dave Brooks can do it all

By Krystle Parkison and Shannon Rivers Holme
Staff Writers

As River City students wake up early on the first day of February, Dave Brooks is out polishing his courts for a new season. This is just one example of his dedication to the school and the tennis program. Being a special education teacher and tennis coach to the very successful River City tennis team requires a lot of sacrifices, and Dave Brooks is more than up for the challenge.

"It's nice to give something back to the community where I grew up. I had a fun time growing up here. That's why I started helping out with the (River City) tennis team while I was at UC Davis," said Coach Brooks.

Dave has definitely given back to this community, and people are taking notice of it.

"I am very proud of Coach Brooks. The tennis program is a model which all our programs should follow," said Coach Dennis.

He is not the only one who feels that Dave has brought success to the campus.

"He empowers students to do more than they think they can do," commented Vice Principal Broxton about the way Dave encourages everyone to do their best.

"He makes River City better because of his love for the school and the community. He makes me proud to say that I play for him and the River City tennis team," said senior tennis player Danny Beus.

One of the reasons Coach Brooks has such dedication and pride for the school is because he was once a Raider himself. Graduating in the class of 1984, Coach Brooks was involved in many school-related activities, including Students Against Drunk Driving, California Scholarship Federation, The Rowdy Raiders Spirit Club, and The Thespians (drama club). Dave was also involved in tennis and basketball, and he was the sports editor for *The Review*. "It was fun, I was a sports writer. I covered the football team. I wrote in the last issue a column of senior athletes' memories of playing sports for all three years. It was neat," said Dave of his *Review* experience.

> *"Dave's dedication and hard work have been an inspriation to me."*
> *~Nareeta Singh*

Not only was Dave involved in many activities, he found time to keep his grades up. He even won the Bank of America scholarship award in the English category.

"Academically he was quite good...he was always one of my favorites," confessed Mr. Engoron, one of Dave's former teachers.

As well as being good academically, Dave was an excellent athlete. The 1984 basketball and tennis teams won league championships, and tennis went on to win a section championship. In that same year, with partner David Bosely, he brought home a section individual title.

Dave has many memories from high school, including graduation, proms, winning the section championship, basketball playoffs, and just goofing around with friends. "...Some of the group of guys I hung out with are still my best friends," explained Dave.

Asked why he became a teacher, he said, "It just sort of happened. I was an aide in the class, Mrs. Garcia (the previous special education teacher) retired, and I took over the class."

Similarly Dave took over as tennis coach when his coach retired. "I started helping out when I was in college. It was a lot of fun. Then Coach Prewitt retired and I took over," explained Coach Brooks. Dave has coached the River City tennis team for many years, and won the league championship for the last seven in a row.

Because he has had some sort of involvement in this school and community since he was in high school, Coach Brooks has seen the changes from year to year. "It has changed a lot. There were no freshmen, and only 700 kids...now the ethnic makeup is completely different. It has made it a better place," he commented.

Not only has the school changed, but the tennis program has, as well. Coach Brooks turned the program around. After many mediocre seasons, Coach Brooks built a winning team. For the last seven seasons he has lead his team to the Golden Empire League Championship. He has led his team to the Sac-Joaquin section playoffs for the last several years, as well.

"Dave's dedication and hard work have been an inspiration to me. His positive attitude has always made me want to do my best and work harder," said tennis player Nareeta Singh.

Mike Westervelt agreed. "Dave has made me want to achieve more and do better," he said.

Many that he has coached feel that Dave has made them better people and changed their lives for the better.

"I enjoy helping kids to grow up into responsible adults. I hope that kids will look back and say, 'I'm a better person for spending time with Dave'," Coach Brooks commented.

"Dave has helped me become a stronger person not only in tennis, but in life. Dave taught me how to be winner on and off the court. My self-confidence has improved tremendously as a result of Dave's influence on my life," said Keonakone Lattasima.

Another example of his popularity among students and staff, was his recognition as one of the most influential teachers at River City by seven out of the twelve 4.0 students who voted.

"I was totally surprised," Dave said about his recognition. "About half of the team knew and didn't tell me."

"I just can't say enough good things about him. I'm glad he's working here. He's a great teacher and a great coach," commented Ms. Tyler.

R.C. tennis wins GEL West championship

By Pedro Melendez
Staff writer

River City has won the GEL West championship for the seventh year in a row! The River City tennis squad finished off the school year with an outstanding record of 25-1.

The GEL West title battle was between River City and Vanden High School. The match was difficult for both teams, but River City emerged victorious.

RC went on to compete in Sac-Joaquin sections, where they placed third after losing to Escalon High School, 3-2. Escalon went on to defeat Riverbank in the final match.

Between playoffs and the championship RC tennis players competed individually or in doubles in sections. Keonakone Lattasima and Nikki Hansen won in doubles and Marith Khem and Nai Saelee made it to the semi-finals.

The entire team put forth a wonderful effort during the competitions.

After all the hard work and fun, the squad got a night to celebrate when Coach Brooks handed out awards for most valuable player and for most improved players. MVPs were two seniors, Keonakone Lattasima and William Clayton. Most improved players were sophomore Mai Ker Yang and junior Bhaves Patel.

Varsity baseball second in River City history to end season 20-7

By Manorma Umaria
Staff Writer

River City's varsity baseball team ended a record-setting season with a 20-7 overall standing.

The Raiders made it to the finals in the section championship playoffs. In the first round they played Ripon Christian and won 3-2. In the second round, they defeated the defending section champions 1-0. It was a one-hit shutout by Chris Schaffer. The third round was a semi-final against Ripon, and River City dominated with a 2-0 win. Greg Mistler pitched a five-hit shutout, and the first inning was highlighted with a triple, hit by Steven Marquez.

River City lost the final game against Vanden 6-4, finishing second in sections. Coach Seffens said, "It was an outstanding year for our baseball program. We ended up 13-3 in league. We were able to pull off a couple of upsets in the playoff. The kids really played to their full potential during the playoffs. It was a great group to be around."

Softball makes first trip to playoffs

By Krystle Parkison
Staff Writer

R.C. softball made its first trip to the playoffs, and they had all the nerves and excitement to go along with it. The Raiders defeated Dixon for the final playoff spot with a score of 6-5 in the 8th inning.

"I thought it was really cool to just be there and see the glow in everyone's eyes," remarked Desiree Lopez.

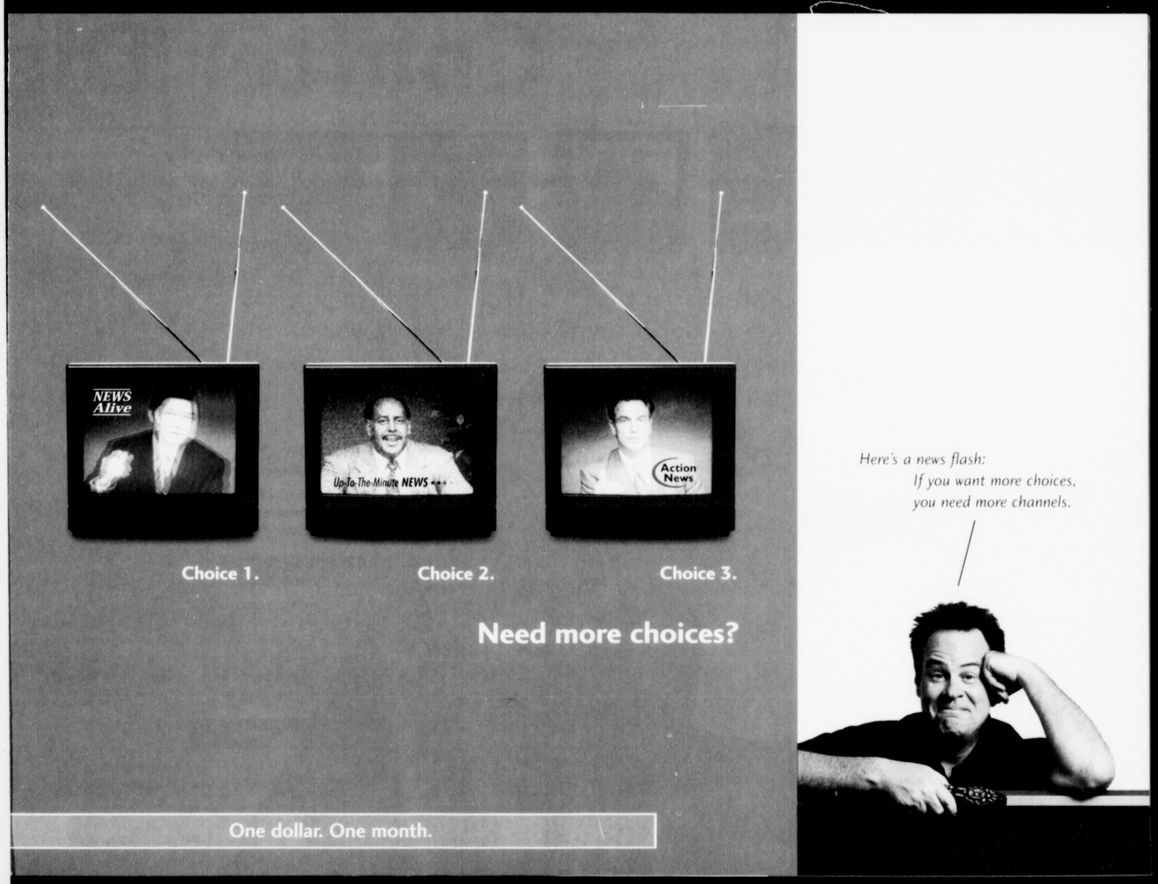
In one of their first playoff experiences, the Raiders faced Union Mine and lost 8-2. But this didn't crush their spirits. They were all just happy to be there and a part of the action.

"It was very exciting. Our nerves got to us a little, but it was cool because we got to be there and take it all in," said Desiree Lopez.

"It's good to know we beat Dixon and Marysville to get there. Once we got there we still played good, even though we were nervous. It felt good to end my high school years going to playoffs with my softball family," said Dharsy Cisneros.

"It's nice to see the girls get credit for their hard work this year. They did it, they earned it, they deserved it," stated Coach Hatz.

The J.V. team also had an excellent season.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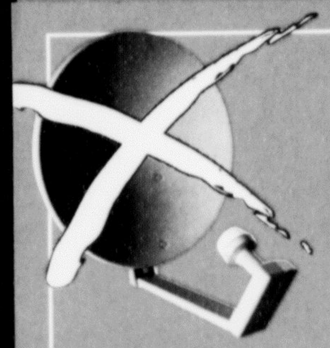

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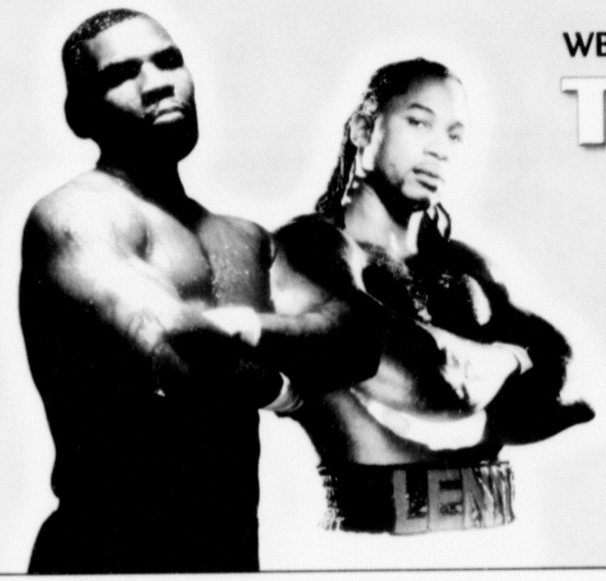

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